

FAIR ASSOCIATION IN ANNUAL MEETING

Farm Topics Discussed, Reports Heard and Officers Elected.

Yesterday occurred the annual meeting of the county agricultural society, the Kandiyohi County Fair Association. For some unknown reason Mr. E. W. Smith of the State Agricultural Extension Department, did not arrive, and so the morning session was made a joint one with the ladies and Miss Bess Rowe made an address on the arrangement of the kitchen and appliances to lighten the work of the women. This was followed by a discussion which lasted until the noon hour.

After the afternoon session Mr. Axel T. Johnson of Sunnyside Farmers' Club spoke on the effort being made to finance the county agent proposition and a discussion followed.

W. F. Schilling of Northfield spoke on the care of stock. Many farmers keep more stock than they can properly care for and lose money for that reason. He predicts a bright future for the cattle industry. The utilization of soft corn, late filling of silos, and other points were brought out in the discussion. Prof. E. L. Rodegeb spoke on his impressions of this country in comparison with New York state and Michigan. Mr. Schilling spoke briefly on the county fair and urged the greatest possible participation in the same by the farmers.

The business session was opened by the financial report by Secretary W. O. Johnson. The summary of the same is as follows:

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Secretary's Statement: The meeting adjourned with the participants feeling that they had spent a profitable day. One hundred copies of the new Farmers' Institute Annual were distributed among those present.

Golden Wedding, Dec. 20. Peter and Karen Anderson will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding at their home on Twelfth St. in First Ward on Monday, Dec. 20. Mr. Anderson is a veteran of the Danish-German war of 1864, and Mr. Anderson hopes that all army veterans whether from Denmark or of the United States as well as other friends, will do him the honor to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gustafson of St. James are visiting friends here. The John Rosland family near Pennock, and the Wakefields at Willmar. Mr. Gustafson met Oscar P. Nelson of this city whom he had not seen for forty-seven years.

A fine musical program was given at the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the large crowd in attendance.

Mrs. Victor Nelson entertained a number of friends at her home Monday afternoon, the occasion being her birthday anniversary.

Eddie Larson of Nest Lake made a pleasant call at the Tribune office Monday.

Oscar Williamson of St. Cloud made a visit at our office last Monday.

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OBITUARY

ESTHER V. LAWSON.

The drowning of Miss Esther Lawson in the mill pond at New London on Tuesday evening of last week was a sad accident that shocked the people everywhere she was known. The deceased left the home at about 7:30 in the evening to spend the night with the Hulberg children at the home of Mrs. Hedlin, as the latter had been called away. On the way Miss Lawson took the notion to cross the ice on the millpond instead of walking around. The ice had been covered with skaters and she thought it was safe, and was unaware of the fact that the current had made an open space following the old channel of the river. As she went on the ice she met Mr. Christopherson who was the last person to see her alive. It was dark, the ice was dark and the open water was dark, and she had walked right into the water. No alarm was felt at the home as it was supposed that she was at the Hedlin home. When she did not return the next day the folks began to make inquiries and it was learned that she had not been seen at the Hedlin home at all. This led to an investigation of the pond when her body was found, and it was realized that a tragedy had occurred. The body was found in a half hour after the search began.

Esther Victoria Lawson was born at Paxton, Ford county, Ill., Dec. 29, 1877. In the fall of 1890 the family moved to New London and here Esther grew to womanhood. She attended the New London schools and later attended G. A. College at St. Peter where she studied music. She was confirmed in 1894 by Rev. C. J. Collin. Since 1898 she has held the position as organist.

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In addition she leaves five sisters and three brothers to mourn her death: Mrs. Cephas Holmes, Maronnet, Ill.; Mrs. Joseph Pacey, Peoria, Ill.; Mrs. Samuel Sikkels of Gilman, Ill.; Mrs. Emma Hayes of Nebraska; and Fred, Charles and Harry Soman of Peoria.

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IN THE CHURCHES

NORW. LUTH. SYNOD.

Next Sunday services in Norwegian will be held at 10:30 a. m. Communion services at 10 o'clock. Sunday school at 12:15 p. m. English evening services at 7:30.

Those who intend to go to communion will meet in the church basement on Saturday at 2 p. m., or on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The services on Friday evening will be in English.

The Young People's Society meets next Monday evening at 8:15. Refreshments will be served by the young people in the Edw. Bredeson, Otto Johnson and Olaus Anderson families.

The Missionary Society meets with Mrs. P. Hong next Tuesday afternoon. The annual business meeting of the Ladies' Society here in the city will be held in the church basement tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon at 4 o'clock.

This musical organization has a splendid reputation and the fact that they are to appear in Willmar is the source of great satisfaction to lovers of good music.

SCHOOL BOARD IN SESSION. Willmar, Minn., Dec. 6, 1915. The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 47 of Willmar, Minnesota, was held at the office of Supt. G. A. Foster in the High School building on Monday, December 6, 1915, at 7:30 p. m. All members present.

The meeting was called to order by the president. The minutes of the foregoing meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were presented and audited by the Finance Committee, and upon motion allowed and ordered paid, viz.: 22nd.

Olaf Bredeson, labor \$103.97, Carl Johnson, labor 3.65, Victor Linman, labor 5.00, Willmar Tractor & Mfg. Co., supplies and labor 41.75, Wm. S. Johnson, labor 4.50, Eleonor Quigley, subscription 1.50, August Hoglund, supplies 7.85, Carlsson Bros., supplies 208.24, Nelson Bros., laundry 3.12, Republican Gazette, supplies 16.75, Keystone View Co., payment on contract 184.10, Carlson & Nelson, labor 56.04, City of Willmar, light and water 49.71, P. A. Eklund, milk 1.33, Wilson Package Co., book 1.00, Houghton, Mifflin Co., book 1.69, St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., book 1.00, W. W. McGraw, tuning piano 9.00, J. H. Wiggins Co., repair and supplies 19.63, Ben Benson, repair and supplies 111.70, G. A. Foster, express 3.99, Kandiyohi County Bank, interest on overdraft 68.17, Ben Benson, Lincoln School plumbing, per contract 250.00, Upon motion duly made and carried the contract to furnish material and install additional piping and radiators for the heating of the Normal Department room on third floor in the Central School building was awarded to Ben Benson at his bid of \$51.

A communication from A. H. Brown, agent of the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Co., asking for the installing of hand chemical fire extinguishers and other matters was presented, read, and taken under consideration by the Board. Meeting adjourned. N. E. Swenson, Clerk.

Doings in Municipal Court. Many cases were on the calendar at the regular term of municipal court held Tuesday forenoon.

The case of James Wilson versus John Skolheim and Osmund Sanderson was settled and dismissed.

The case of John Sanderson versus Theodore Mattson will come up for trial Friday of this week. In the matter of Edward Jordan versus James Cox, the matter came up for trial, and at present is under advisement.

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Eastern Star Election. At the meeting of the Eastern Star lodge on Monday evening the following officers were elected for the next year: Mrs. Drusilla Baldwin—Worthy Matron. C. A. Affleck—Worthy Patron. Mrs. J. H. Taylor—Associate Matron. Mrs. C. E. Anderson—Conductress. Miss Mabel Sanderson—Associate Conductress. R. W. Stanford—Treasurer. Mrs. Minnie Larsen—Secretary.

Pastor is Surprised. A very pleasant surprise party was held at the First Methodist parsonage on Monday evening, the 6th when about sixty of the friends of Rev. and Mrs. Rice called without previous announcement. They brought with them some forty glass jars of fruit that made a tempting display when all were placed on the table. After a social evening luncheon was served and the guests departed, all reporting a splendid time.

The Public Health Association met Tuesday afternoon at the Commercial Club rooms. Bills were allowed to the amount of \$10.75.

REDF WING SEMINARY GLEE CLUB TO BE HERE

Will Give a Concert at Synod Church Sunday Evening, December 19.

The Red Wing Seminary Glee Club under the direction of Prof. J. Arndt Bergh will give a concert at the Norwegian Synod church Sunday evening, December 19th, commencing at 7:30 o'clock.

They are traveling through the state of Iowa and this is their first appearance in this city. An address will be given by Prof. M. O. Wee of Red Wing.

The admission charges are thirty-five cents for adults and twenty-five for children. Seminary and High School students may secure tickets for twenty-five cents. The tickets are on sale at Kandiyohi County Bank and Carlson's drug store.

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Johannes Anderson Skataas was born Jan. 10, 1829, at Skaraborg län, Västergötland, Sweden. Here his early youth was spent, and in 1855 he came to Carver county this state. His education was secured in the common schools. In 1868 he came to the then Monongalia, now Kandiyohi county. For thirty years he resided on his farm four miles north of this city. In 1898 he turned over the farm to his son, John, with whom he made his home until about five years ago, when he removed to this city, and made his home with his youngest daughter, Mrs. Ludvig Nelson.

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SEMINARY NOTES.

The class work at Seminary began on Tuesday, Nov. 30. Most of the students, who had been at home during the Thanksgiving vacation came back Monday, Nov. 29.

About ten new students enrolled at the Seminary during last week and many more are expected to enroll before Christmas.

The girls have now finally commenced to practice basket ball since two of the star players from last year came back.

Arthur Anderson visited with his brother at Atwater last Sunday. Alma Stenerson left Saturday afternoon for Georgeville, where she visited in her parental home. She returned Monday.

Karl Lindblad spent the week end with his parents, who live south of Svea. Douma was the president of the Parliamentary Law class last Saturday. Some say she did pretty well in it.

The Young People's Society of the Lutheran Synod church gave a splendid reception for the Seminary students last Monday evening. Various games were played and the numerous crowd was entertained in best possible way. Everyone of the students is very thankful for the good time which was given to them.

The hand will meet for practice on Thursday night. Jennie Halverson went home to New London to visit with her parents last Saturday. She returned Tuesday.

M. E. Ladies' Aid. The Ladies' Aid of the First M. E. church will hold a business meeting in the church parlors, on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 15 at 3:30 o'clock. No lunch will be served. All members are urged to be present as important business will be transacted. 12-3-21

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MEDICAL BLOCK IS RAIDED BY DOPISTS

Supposed Escaped State Farm Inmates Make Frantic Search For Drugs.

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