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FATAL RIDE ON SLIPPERY PAVING

August A. Johnson Loses Life In Auto Accident Near Kandiyohi

August A. Johnson was instantaneously killed Friday night under his Buick car when it skidded off the pavement near Kandiyohi and went down over an embankment. His family escaped serious injuries.

August A. Johnson, who lived on the old Lawler place west of Kandiyohi, was returning home from a Christmas program held at the Whittier school shortly after eleven o'clock. It was a bitterly cold night, the coldest of the season so far. When he approached a place where several cars had skidded off the pavement recently, Mr. Johnson remarked to his wife that he must be careful and drive slowly or they would go down the bank. He had hardly said the words before the car began to slide and the fatal accident occurred. Mrs. Johnson declares that they were not running over ten miles an hour at the time. Mr. Johnson was caught under the car and death came instantaneously. The children escaped unhurt and Mrs. Johnson was badly bruised on limb and arm but sustained no broken bones. The two small boys started off at once for help. Mr. W. F. Cox, on the Gratz place was the first to come. He succeeded in releasing Johnson's body from under the car. Dr. B. J. Branton soon came, but could do nothing but summon the coroner. The coroner, Dr. J. C. Jacobs, arrived and decided no inquest necessary and the undertaker was summoned to take the body which was brought to Willmar about two o'clock.

The awful accident was a terrible shock to the community as the news spread on the following day and saddened the Christmas festivities, especially in the churches of which the deceased has been an active member. It was hard to realize that this active and willing neighbor had so suddenly left us in the flower of his manhood. Always ready and eager to help others with a smile on his face and cheering words on his lips, he suddenly came to the end of his life's span and his day was done.

August A. Johnson was born in Scania, Sweden, Feb. 17, 1881. In 1889 the family came to America and located at Chicago. Later they moved to Paxton, Ill., where the parents, a brother, and a sister still live. On Jan. 1, 1905, he was married to Miss Amanda Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Johnson of Paxton. In 1910 Mr. and Mrs. August Johnson came to this community. They first located on a farm in Sec. 4, Northwest of town. Mr. Johnson met with the misfortune of having a hand mangled in a corn shredder, which injured member refused to heal for a long time. He sold his farm and later went onto the Bjelkengren farm near Svea. At Svea Mr. Johnson was one of the active spirits of the community.

For some time past he lived on the old Lawler place near Kandiyohi, having leased the farm buildings only.

The surviving wife and three children—Harold, Evangeline and Russell—have the profound sympathy of all in their great loss of a devoted husband and father. Among the mourners was also Mr. Emil Johnson, a brother of Mrs. Johnson. Thomas J. Lawson of New London is a cousin of Mrs. Johnson.

The funeral services took place yesterday (Tuesday) afternoon at the Bethel church, with which the departed had reunited after returning from the Svea community. Rev. J. B. Sorenson spoke in Swedish and Rev. Jesper Holmquist in English. Songs were rendered by Eben Lawson, Samuel Nelson and by a quartet composed of Miss Beatrice Eckwall, Mrs. H. N. Hanson, Samuel Nelson and Oscar Augustson. The church was still in its Christmas decorations which made a beautiful setting for the flower-laden casket. The church was filled to the limit by many Svea and Kandiyohi people besides the local folks who had come to show their sympathy and mingle their tears with those so cruelly bereft. The pall bearers were Andrew P. P. P. and John P. Johnson, August and Martin Johnson and Neil Anderson, all of Svea, and the same who bore the deceased's close friend, M. R. Swenson, two weeks before to his last resting place. The remains of Mr. Johnson, accompanied by the family, were taken to Paxton, Ill., leaving on an early morning train today. Mrs. Johnson will return soon to settle her affairs here, but expects to make her future home at Paxton.

ORPHAN'S PROGRAM

The forty children at the Bethesda Orphans Home north of the city enjoyed a beautiful Christmas tree program and festival at the homes Sunday evening. Rev. N. Nilsson and Rev. Gynild gave talks. Toys, candy and fruit were distributed to the children.

CHRISTMAS AT CLINIC

Willmar Clinic Corps Enjoy Social Function on Thursday Evening

Thursday evening the physicians, nurses and all others employed or connected with the Willmar Hospital and Clinic and families had a very enjoyable time at the Clinic. They assembled about a Christmas tree and Dr. R. J. Hodapp acting as old St. Nick, distributed the Christmas presents. He was fully costumed in a Santa Claus uniform. The physicians of the Clinic gave this Christmas party to entertain their employees before they left for their homes to spend the holidays. There were fifty-one present at this occasion. A very delicious lunch was served and other delicacies such as candy, nuts and various fruits. The evening was spent in playing various games and a very good social time was enjoyed by all.

MARRIED AT MONTECELLO

As a surprise on their friends in the city, Sigvald Nelson and Miss Iona Kirkow were married quietly at Montecello, Iowa, on Monday, December 26th. The happy couple are now enjoying a wedding trip and will return to Willmar during the second week of January.

Mr. Nelson is associated in the Nelson Bros. Soft Water Laundry in the city. The bride has been an employee of the firm for some time. Friends in the city extend congratulations.

LOCALS LOST IN A CLOSE CONTEST

University Wildcats Emerge Winners By Score of 25 to 17 Monday Evening

The local Legion basketball quint and the University Wildcats, a team composed of university students clashed Monday evening on the local high school gymnasium floor in a close and interesting contest. The "Wildcats" succeeded in annexing a victory by the score of 25 to 17. The visitors proved to be a light but fast aggregation and led throughout the game by only one or two baskets. Forsell, the capable guard of the visitors shot two spectacular baskets from about the middle of the floor. Tousey, right forward, was the main point gainer as seven baskets were credited to him.

The Willmar five played well and fought the better trained and more experienced university outfit every inch of the floor. Nordstrom for the locals was there with his four baskets. Orlean Christian of Parker College was in the lineup and added a field basket to the score. Severinson, University forward, who was expected in the lineup, did not play as he had to return to Minneapolis on the call of the coach.

Field baskets for Willmar, Nordstrom 4, Norling 2, Christian 1, and Branton 1. For Wildcats, Tousey 7, Kucheman 2, Hoel 1, Forsell 2.

Free throws for Willmar, Branton 1 out of 2, Johnson 0 out of 2, Nordstrom 0 out of 1. For Wildcats, Tousey 1 out of 4.

Three personals and 3 technical fouls were called on the visitors and 3 personals and one technical foul were called on the locals.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. David Newton Tallman of this city announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Esther Jane Tallman, to William Vigelius Freeman of Minneapolis. Mr. Freeman is a son of Dr. and Mrs. James E. Freeman of Washington, D. C., formerly of Minneapolis. Miss Tallman will be a bridal attendant at the marriage of Miss Corinne Dickey and Louis Groch which takes place in Minneapolis Thursday evening.

RETURNS TO SWEDEN

Miss Ida Bjorling who has been visiting with her brother Anton Bjorling for two weeks returned to Cambridge, Ill. Wednesday to visit her brother, John, and also her brother, Gust, of Altona, Ill., and after a few days visit there she will return to Storvik, Sweden, at which place her home is located.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thunstedt entertained at a dinner party at their home last evening. Covers were laid for twelve guests.

RETURNS TO MILWAUKEE

Irwin Peterson returned to Milwaukee, Wis., yesterday after spending the Christmas vacation visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Peterson.

A Happy New Year 1922

May it Bring Prosperity, Happiness and Good Health to All.

Willmar Tribune Workers

CITY ADDS TWELVE BUSINESS PLACES

Business Section of City Increased By Dozen New Enterprises During a Year

During the year 1921 the business section of the city has been enlarged and new firms have established themselves. These are in addition to the changes in owners of already well established houses in the city published under separate head in this issue.

The Manufacturers' Outlet Store has established a branch house under the management of I. Ruben on Benson Avenue. It is a clothing and dry goods firm.

The Home Lunch, Julson & Julson, proprietors, opened their eating rooms on Benson Avenue West.

The Men's Clothes Shop, H. B. Lidstone, proprietor, first occupied quarters in the Opera House block but now has attractive rooms in the Curtis Block on Fifth Street and Benson Avenue.

The Style Shop, Mrs. R. A. Volk, proprietress, has carried on its business in the city in the Opera House for several months past.

The People's Meat Market, O. H. Eliason, proprietor, opened in the former Tribune Building on Benson Avenue, owned by Mr. Eliason.

Bengtson & Larson are the owners of a new meat market operated in the same quarters as the Cash Grocery. Paul Swenson, proprietor.

Hoglund Hardware is again a familiar firm name in the city. The Hoglund brothers, Harry and Chester, are the new proprietors and opened an up-to-date hardware store on Benson Avenue.

The Green Lake Billiard Parlors on the corner of Fifth and Benson is a new addition to the amusement houses of the city.

The C. P. Madsen & Co. is a new vegetable firm located at the corner of Pacific Avenue and Third Street. The A. R. Brown grocery formerly occupied this building.

Two medical clinics have been organized during the year, namely the Union Clinic with offices on Fifth St. and the Willmar Clinic with offices at the corner of Fourth Street and Litchfield Avenue. The Union Clinic operates the Rest Hospital on Fifth St. and the Willmar Clinic the Willmar Hospital at the corner of Fourth and Becker Avenue.

The Gift Shop is a new firm with the Misses Helen Jenness and Lillie Korthe as proprietresses. The Gift Shop is located on Pacific Avenue.

DEATH IN NORTH DAKOTA

The sad news has reached Willmar friends of the death of G. S. Ogren of Souris, N. D. He passed away Monday from an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Ogren was vice president of the Bank of Souris and was actively in charge of its affairs. He leaves a family, two brothers, Emil and Edwin Ogren, reside at New London. Solomon Ogren, as the deceased was known here, came to New London from Sweden in the early eighties, where he attended the village school. He later entered a business career, working for some time at Willmar before going to North Dakota.

FRACTURES ARM

Last Friday afternoon our county nurse, Miss Inga Imsdahl, had the misfortune of breaking her right arm at the wrist while cranking a Ford car. On account of the cold weather the oil was a little stiff and the starter failed to pull the engine. Miss Imsdahl tried to crank the car, it back fired and the crank struck her right arm, breaking it. Her arm was set and dressed at the Willmar Clinic by Dr. B. J. Branton.

LEGION BANQUET FEBRUARY 12

At the last meeting of the American Legion it was decided that the annual banquet will be held on Feb. 12th. This important Legion feast. The annual banquet was held the last week in December the past two years.

COUPLE SURPRISED

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Shelman Surprised on Silver Wedding Day By Friends

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Shelman were delightfully surprised last Friday eve, Dec. 23, by a company of friends and neighbors who gathered at their home, the occasion being their silver wedding anniversary. The evening was spent in social visiting. At eleven o'clock a very delicious lunch was served. A purse of silver money was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Shelman by the friends present as a remembrance of the occasion which was received with thanks and was very much appreciated. All present reported a good time and departed wishing that all might be present in twenty-five years more to help them celebrate their golden wedding.

ARRANGING SCHEDULE

Dr. Hodapp, athletic officer of the American Legion, is attempting to schedule games with the best fives in this part of the state. Challenges or invitations to play have been sent out to such teams as Benson, Appleton, Litchfield, Howard Lake, Morris, etc. Replies have not as yet been received. A game is also under negotiation to be played with the University Wildcats in the local gym on Saturday evening of this week. This would make 2 games played this week with this team.

MRS. JOHN NOLD HAS PASSED AWAY

Burial Held at Tripolis Wednesday. Resided Near Kandiyohi 30 Years

Mrs. John Nold, who has resided on a farm one mile south of Kandiyohi for thirty years, passed away at her home in Kandiyohi village on Sunday, Dec. 18, 1921.

Mrs. Gustava Nold was born August 15, 1838, at Nibled parish, Kronobergs Län, Småland, Sweden, where she spent her youth. Mrs. Gustava Lundquist Nold was united in marriage in 1864 to John Nold. They emigrated to America in 1870 when they located on a farm in Swift County. In 1884 they moved to a farm one mile south of Kandiyohi where they resided until 1914 after which they resided in the village of Kandiyohi.

The deceased leaves to mourn her death, the husband, John Nold; five children, Emma Nold of Kandiyohi, C. J. Nold of Sanborn, Wis., Mrs. C. G. Elmquist and Mrs. C. E. Erickson, both of Fahlun township and Emil Nold of British Columbia. Two children have passed away, John died when an infant and Mrs. Albert Shosten died three weeks ago. Her departure is also mourned by two sisters, residing in Sweden and one sister, Mrs. Helen Swenson in Minneapolis. She leaves thirty-two grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

The funeral took place at the Swedish Lutheran church at Tripolis on Wednesday, December 21, 1921, Rev. Hjalmar Tillman officiating. The church choir rendered two selections at the house and two at the church. The pall bearers were Aug. Klint, Aug. Lundquist, Chas. Chellberg, Frank Hawkinson, F. E. Croonquist and Peter Thulin. The remains were laid to rest in the Tripolis church cemetery.

All the children were present at the funeral except Emil Nold of British Columbia.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Miss Charlotte Cederberg received a telegram stating the death of her father, Charles Cederberg, on Thursday of last week, and she left for her home at Altona, Wis. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Scovill also went to the funeral the latter being a daughter of the late Charles Cederberg. The cause of his death was heart failure. Miss Cederberg and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Scovill returned to this city Thursday.

HOWARD LAKE ON PROGRAM FRIDAY

Second Official District Game To Be Played By Willmar High School

The second game for the championship race as it concerns the local high school five will be played Friday evening in the local High School gymnasium and the opponent this time will be Howard Lake. This team has played several games this season and is expected to furnish respectable opposition to the locals. The evening will be opened by a preliminary game played by the girls team of the Willmar High school and a team made up of girl alumni of the school. This game is sure to be interesting. Former girls stars are home for their vacation from college and will make up a strong alumni team. The present high school girls have played one game this season and showed to good advantage.

The boys game is certain to be interesting. The local five bids strong to be a title contender in the district and will enter Friday evening's game with the determination to remove one more obstacle to the possession of the district flag.

The preliminary game will commence at eight o'clock. Admission prices are set at 20 and 35 cents.

The big game will begin immediately at the close of the girls' contest.

On January 6th St. Cloud will arrive for the second game with the locals. This will be a return game. Willmar was defeated by the Stearns County lads at St. Cloud by a score of 16 to 12 some weeks ago.

CLERKS ARE DISCHARGED

Wholesale discharges of employees is reported on the Great Northern. Only a very few clerks are left in the Division headquarters it is said, not nearly enough to take care of the clerical work. The discharges were complete, not simply lay-offs, and apparently carry with them the loss of all seniority rights of such who may be re-engaged by the company. It is no doubt a part of the plan to "deflate" labor as the farmers have already been "deflated."

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Christmas baskets of provisions or other Christmas cheer were distributed to about thirty homes in the city on Christmas Eve. Capt. Johnson of the Salvation Army assisted by others attended to the matter of apportioning and distributing of these gifts. The Elks Lodge contributed \$50, the American Legion \$50, and a fund was solicited from the banks and others by the mayor for the purchase of the supplies. The Presbyterian and Synod churches also sent out baskets.

INSURANCE MAN HERE

Julius Thomason and wife are spending the holidays with Mrs. Thomason's mother, Mrs. Miller-Olson. Mr. Thomason just returned from a month's trip to Hartford, Conn., to the home office of the insurance company of which he is the local district manager with headquarters at Minneapolis.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. James Sanderson entertained at a family dinner last Monday. Covers were laid for twenty-two guests.

T PUZZLE RESULTS IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Judges Still Deliberating On "T" Puzzle Lists

The three wise judges in the Tribune "T" puzzle are still waging their heads over the huge pile of lists submitted to them in this very popular contest. They promise however that a report in full will be published in our next issue and also a complete account by the Puzzle Editor. Look for it in our first issue of the New Year.

"U" STUDENTS HOME

Willmar Has Large Representation at State Institution

The Willmar students attending the State University are home for their Christmas vacation. Among the students are Eugene Ohsberg, son of Eric Ohsberg, and Minton Lundquist, son of Mrs. Betsey Lundquist, senior of the Dental department; Clifford Rodlund, son of Mrs. Cecelia Rodlund, sophomore of the dental department; Earl Curran, son of Mrs. Ida Curran, of the Pre-Dental department; Glen and Rayburn Larson, sons of John Larson, who are enrolled in the Engineering and Business department respectively; Prof. William Williams, son of J. A. Williams, instructor in the Engineering department; Russell Frost, son of Dr. E. H. Frost, of the Medical department; John Wiggins, son of W. D. Wiggins, of the Engineering department; Irwin Norman, son of August Norman, of the Medical; Gertrude Tallman, daughter of David N. Tallman; Adeline Feig, daughter of John Feig; Harold Gilbert, son of Judge T. O. Gilbert; and Robert Johnson, son of Mrs. C. S. Johnson, both of the law department; Alvin Nordstrom, son of Isaac Nordstrom; Blanchford Hallin, son of F. J. Hallin, and Richard Taylor, son of J. H. Taylor, both of the Engineering department; Harold Severinson, son of O. K. Severinson; Lloyd Peterson, son of N. J. Peterson; Florence and Hattie Carlson, daughters of S. B. Carlson; and Irwin Dahleen, son of Martin Dahleen, of the Agricultural department.

HEAVIEST MAIL IN P. O. HISTORY

Willmar Postoffice Set Record In Christmas Mail Volume. 10,000 Mailed Parcels

All records for Christmas mailing at the Willmar postoffice were smashed into atoms during the 1921 season. Fully 10,000 Christmas parcels were mailed at the windows in the Federal Building and some 1500 parcels were insured. This is the largest volume in the history of the local postoffice.

Two extra clerks were kept top busy to assist in the handling of the mail and delivery boys and extra carriers were employed to assist in the delivery work.

The card and letter mail also was by far the heaviest in postoffice records.

Our Postmaster A. O. Forsberg is especially emphasizing his thanks in behalf of the employees of the postoffice to the public for the unusual early mailing. Because of the patrons observing this request to "mail early" much of the mass of Christmas mail was moved on quite early in the week. Despite the heavy mail the employees found no trouble to accommodate it all due to the early mailing.

COMEDIAN HERE

Lester Raymond, Black Face Comedian and Whirlwind Step Dancer, appeared at the Dreamland Theatre last Saturday evening and before the Christmas eve audience present presented an act of fifteen minutes duration which was a pleasing combination of laughs and skillful exhibition of "the light, fantastic toe." Lester Raymond has made his headquarters in Willmar and will work this territory from this center.

Mr. Raymond by singing, dancing and witty talking numbers contributes a vaudeville number which is certain to find favor and approval.

FRACTURES WRIST

Edward Magnuson of Fahlun township sustained a badly fractured wrist Sunday evening, Dec. 18th, while cranking his Buick car at his farm place. The car back fired and the crank struck his right wrist. He was taken to Willmar the next morning, where the injury was dressed by Dr. Iver S. Benson. Mr. Magnuson is getting along nicely.

HERE FROM KANSAS

Edward Molin, of Neodesha, Kansas, arrived Tuesday of last week and is a guest at the August Norman home. Mr. Molin is a brother of Mrs. Norman. He will return the first of the year.

LEFT FOR NORTH DAKOTA

Mrs. Ella M. Ramsett left Saturday for Grand Forks, N. D., where she will spend a week visiting her mother, Mrs. Wright, until New Year.

HOME FROM NORMAL

Anna Overgaard, Eleanor De La Hunt, Ruth Kendall, Bernice Benson and Lilly Lindberg who are attending the St. Cloud Normal, are spending the holidays at their respective homes in this city.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT PRESENT IN CITY

Civic, Religious and Home Observances Held During Yuletide Season

The Christmas season of 1921 as observed in our city takes its place at the side of any similar observance in the past. The city for a week previous was active and busy with preparations for the favorite holidays of the year.

The stores in the city were kept busy supplying the purchasing and gift needs of their patrons. Stores exhausted their supplies of Christmas greeting cards and holiday trimmings were also difficult to find. All in all the Christmas business of the merchants of the city was far better than was expected during these times.

The city municipal Christmas tree was a feature mark of observance. The tree is standing at the corner of 4th St. and Litchfield Avenue and with brightly colored lights and other decorations attracted much favorable comment. The Civic Club had complete charge of the Community Tree.

During the week the school children from the various grade schools of the city sang Christmas carols from the steps of the postoffice. A group of the Willmar Choral Society members sang carols Friday evening.

Special Christmas programs were held in the schools during the week. School closed on Friday for a two week vacation. The schools will again open on January 9th.

The City of Willmar, The Salvation Army, The Kandiyohi County Chapter of the Red Cross, the American Legion, the Elks Lodge and various church organizations aided in spreading good cheer and happiness in the homes of the needy in the city.

Early morning services were held Sunday morning in the churches of the city. Attendances at these services were better than usual. Excellent programs were rendered and the day ushered in from the pulpit in a fitting manner.

Children's Sunday school festivals were held Monday evening in the city, these attracting capacity audiences.

The city was visited by many home comers and others who spent the season at homes in the city.

MARRIED IN UTAH

Popular Willmar Couple United in Marriage Last Monday Afternoon

The marriage of A. LeRoy Christian, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Christian, and Miss Helga C. Berg, daughter of Mrs. J. C. Berg, both families of this city, occurred last Monday afternoon at three o'clock at Ogden, Utah. Following the wedding the couple went on a wedding trip in the west and will return to make their home in the city after its completion.

A host of friends will greet the happy two upon their arrival here.

NORWEGIAN LADIES AID

The Ladies Aid of the Norwegian Lutheran Free church will serve a public coffee Wednesday, January 4th, at 2 o'clock p. m., in the church parlors. Those serving refreshments are the Mesdames Carl Johnson, Lizzie Hultberg, Ida Olson and Miss Sigrid Nelson. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

TRIPOLIS NEW YEARS FESTIVAL

A New Years festival will be held at the Tripolis Lutheran church on Saturday evening, Dec. 31, at 8 o'clock. A good program is being planned. A lunch consisting of sandwiches, cake, pie and coffee will be served. Everybody welcome.

VISITORS FROM CANADA

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Strandberg of Alberta, Canada, arrived in this city on Saturday to visit at Charley Wallin's and Andrew Nelson's and also with many other friends and relatives in this city and Svea for an extended time.

PROGRAM AND SALE

A program and candy sale will be held on Monday evening, Jan. 2, at Oak Park. Lunch will be served. Everybody welcome.

LADIES AID

The Swedish M. E. church will meet Thursday, January 5, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Johnson at 517, 5th St. W. Everyone is welcome.

FALL FROM LADDER CAUSED DEATH

Andrew E. Edblom's death at Eugene, Oregon, was caused by a fall from a ladder as he was in the act of placing a star in the Christmas decorations at the First M. E. church on Friday, Dec. 16. His skull was fractured in the fall.