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## TWO CABOOSES LOST IN COLLISION

**Freight Trains Crash Into Each Other Sunday Near Clontarf. No Injuries**

Two freight trains met in an accident Sunday shortly after noon about a mile west of Clontarf resulting in the total destruction of two cabooses and the overturning of two gondolas. The accident was an end to end collision in which two cabooses were crushed to splinters.

Three freights were entering Clontarf. It is learned that the crew on the first freight had flagged the one immediately following. The crew on the second freight however, it is said, failed to flag the third freight which came, caboose leading. The two cabooses met in a heavy crash. Fortunately no individuals were in the cabooses at the time. They would undoubtedly have perished.

Two gondolas were thrown from the track and on their sides. The wrecking crew from Willmar was called out about one o'clock on Sunday afternoon. The crew returned the following morning at five o'clock after cleaning up the debris.

This accident is the third on the Willmar Division during the past two weeks. The Delano tragedy, the near tragedy of No. 21 near the coal chute and this Clontarf wreck constitute the proverbial "three" which many predict will follow a tragedy.

It has been explained that due to the heavy fog the 3rd freight did not see the one ahead until it ran into it. Also that no time was given the crew in the second freight to flag the third one.

An investigation was held in the city the other part of the week to fix the responsibility for the Clontarf accident.

### B. Y. P. MEETING

The Baptist Young Peoples Society will hold their weekly meeting in the church basement on Friday evening. This meeting will be taken charge of by Hope Group which Miss Esther Johnson is the leader. The following program will be rendered: Song Service, Prayer, Erickson. Devotionals, Value of Lost to the Master, Mrs. H. Nelson. Song, Richard Peterson. Vocal solo, Miss Mabel Johnson. Reading, Miss Laura Arthson. Selection, Mixed Voices. Study, Christian Culture. Rev. Lagerstrom.

### NO CLOSING OF SCHOOLS

Due to the decreased attendance in the city schools and the general cold affection among the children it was that that the schools would be ordered closed for a week. No action has been taken in this regard and none will be. The present list of absentees from school is not large enough to warrant any closing of schools and such a step does not materially better the colds of the children or check such.

### MEETINGS CLOSE

The meetings of the Willmar District of Swedish Lutheran churches closed last evening. Services were held on Monday evening. Also Tuesday morning and evening. During Tuesday afternoon several hours of discussion was enjoyed.

At the communion services last night thirty-two new members were received into the Bethel church.

### VIKOR Y. P. S.

The Vikor Y. P. S. will meet at the So'omon Lake church basement Friday evening, March 10, at 8 o'clock and will be entertained by the young people in the Albert Hanson and J. T. Svyertson families. Everybody welcome.

### VIEW OF WILLMAR

The Minneapolis Tribune in its next Sunday's issue will publish an aircraft view of the City of Willmar. This is one of the views the Tribune has taken of principal cities in the Northwest.

### ALTRURIANS

The Altrurians will meet at the home of F. G. Handy next Monday evening. They will be entertained by Miss Winifred Sherwood and Mrs. Karl Ball.

### ST. LUKE'S GUILD

The Ladies Guild of St. Luke's church will meet with Mrs. Lidstone and Mrs. Martin Johnson at the home of Mrs. Martin Johnson, 329 Becker ave. W., on Friday, March 10th, at 2:30.

### LINCOLN PARENT TEACHERS

The Lincoln Parent Teachers association will meet next Friday afternoon, March 10th, in the Lincoln school at 3:45 p. m. Supt. O. O. Uvin will give a talk.

## SIXTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY

**Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wilson Celebrate Anniversary on Feb. 27**

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wilson celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on Feb. 27th. This old couple have reached the ages of 88 and 87, respectively, and still are enjoying fair health. They were nicely remembered on this occasion with cut flowers and cards of congratulation.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are among Kandiyohi county's oldest settlers, having come here from Dakota county in 1878 and bought a farm on the east shore of Green Lake. Mr. Wilson served in the Civil War and is a member of the Frank Daggert Post, G. A. R. of Litchfield.

For the last 8 years they have made their home with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Wilson in Harrison.

## MARCH CALENDAR TO BE VERY LIGHT

**Prospects of Quite Peaceful Term Without Any Extremely Important Cases**

The spring term of District Court will open on Monday, March 20. Judge G. E. Qvale will preside. Indications are that the calendar will be brief and minus any one outstanding litigation.

Both the grand and petit juries are destined to have peaceful duties. A few cases of liquor violations will engage the grand jury.

The opening day will pass in consideration of applications for citizenship when fifteen candidates for admission will be heard in examination. Sheriff Bonde has been busy serving notices on the jurymen of both grand and petit juries.

It is expected that the Spicer-Schultz proceedings which occupied the greater part of the March term in 1921 will again be resurrected and the lawyers battle renewed.

### FIVE IN COURT

Five young men appeared in Municipal Court Monday morning on the charge of causing disorder at a public meeting. These men were John Reins, John Jacobson, William Adolph and Herman Kecker. George Kecker also named in the complaint, failed to make his appearance. The five answering to the charge pled not guilty and a hearing was set for April 8th.

### TO GIVE TALK

Dr. Helen Hughes, Hiescher of Mankato, National Committee Woman of the Auxiliary, will give a talk next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Odd Fellows Hall to the American Legion Auxiliary, Legion and to the general public. Musical numbers will be furnished by Clarence Granoski and the auxiliary octette. Admission is free.

### COFFEE SOCIAL

Thursday afternoon of next week, March 16th, the Bethel Ladies Society will give a coffee social in the church basement to which the general public is cordially invited. The following will serve. Mesdames Victor Nelson, Alfred Bergeson, Paul Hedin, J. A. Jacobson, Oscar Lundberg, Adolph Benson, C. E. Anderson, Nels Holm, Mathilda Larson and E. N. Munson.

### LEEDAH-LRUBBECK

The marriage of Miss Lillian Rubbeck of Willmar and Alfred C. Leedah of Penock took place Saturday afternoon at five o'clock at the parsonage of the Bethel Lutheran church. Rev. Jesper Holmquist officiated. The witnesses were Johan A. Lee and Mildred Leedah.

### PUBLIC COFFEE

The Ladies Guild of St. Luke's church will hold a public coffee at Carlson's Hall on Thursday, March 16, from 3:00 o'clock. The hostesses will be Mrs. Forsberg, Mrs. Chris Ackerman, Mrs. Geo. Hanson, Mrs. L. F. Larson, and Mrs. H. Campbell. Everybody cordially invited.

### FOOD SALE

The Parent Teachers Association of the Lafayette School will hold a food sale Saturday afternoon, March 11th, at the Ackerman-Meat Market. All home cooking.

### DOVRE TOWN CAUCUS

The township caucus for Dovre will be held at the polling place at 8:30 o'clock a. m., on Tuesday, March 14. All interested please take notice.

### PARENT TEACHERS MEETING POSTPONED

The meeting of the Lincoln Parent Teachers Ass'n has been postponed until a future date.

## NAMES BROT OUT FOR PRIMARY

**Voters' Conference Discuss Candidates for Next Tuesday's City Primary Election**

The conference of city voters to discuss the approaching city primaries held at the courthouse hall last Friday night under the auspices of organized labor was a very harmonious affair. Hugh Campbell was elected to preside at the meeting. The matter of suggesting candidates for next Tuesday's primaries was the main question under consideration. No opposition was voiced at this meeting to any of the present general city officials. In the case of Mayor Lawson his name was mentioned as the logical candidate to be supported at the primary. The meeting separated into groups by wards and the following endorsements were made for candidates for aldermen:

First Ward—Anton Peterson and E. T. Sandbo. For Justice, I. T. Cramer. Second Ward—Hugh Campbell. Third Ward—N. P. Nelson. Fourth Ward—C. J. Freeberg.

There was no discussion of the armory question, except that the voters were cautioned to use moderation and avoid personalities in voicing their opposition to the project.

At a meeting of the Central Labor body held later the ticket as outlined above was endorsed.

### PLED NOT GUILTY

A young man by the name of Caesar Linn had to appear in Municipal court on Friday of last week before Judge Miller on a charge of intoxication. He pleaded not guilty and was let out on a \$15 bail. His trial was set for the 18th of March but will be changed until the 8th of April.

## MILITIA COMPANY TO BE SWORN IN

**Army Officer to Hear Oaths of Men Enlisted in New Militia Unit**

The company of militia which has been in the making in the city for some time and which has now been recruited to the required strength for induction will be sworn in during the latter part of the week. An army officer either from Morris or the Twin Cities will arrive to administer the oath to the men. Following this proceeding the company and its command will proceed to the other details of organization which also includes the matter of a drilling place.

During the past week a fund containing over one thousand dollars has been subscribed by business men of the city. This sum is to be coupled with the site which has been asked of the city and which bids of contention will again be discussed at the next meeting of the City Council.

### KNOTT-BERG

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the M. E. church at Breckenridge on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd, when Miss Alvin P. Knott, formerly of this county, was united in marriage to Roy A. Berg, a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Berg, also of this city. The bride was attended in an ivory satin gown.

Miss Knott returned from a seven months trip to Washington and other points and was met by Mr. Berg at Breckenridge at which place they were made man and wife. They will make their home on a farm in the vicinity of Willmar.

### PLEASANTLY SURPRISED

The employees of the Persig Cigar Factory very pleasantly surprised Ernest Person at his home, 512 Seventh Street last Saturday evening. The occasion being his birthday anniversary. The evening was spent in playing games and cards, and delicious refreshments were served at a late hour. Mr. Person was presented with a memento of the occasion.

### WAS IN CHINA

Elmer Gravaard of New London, who was discharged from his service in the navy on March 2nd, arrived in this city on Monday and was enroute for New London to stay with his brother, Oswald Gravaard, for some time. Elmer arrived in the States in January from China. He had been in the naval service for three years and was discharged at Philadelphia on the 2nd day of March.

### UNDERWENT OPERATION

Miss Edna Flady, of Rutland, N. D., underwent an operation at the Willmar Hospital on Wednesday morning. Mrs. Magnus Oistad of Benson is staying with her during her illness.

## HELD BUSINESS MEETING AT AUDITORIUM

**Choral Society Re-engages Prof. David Nyvall as Conductor For Next Season**

A business meeting of the active and associate members of the Willmar Choral Society was held Friday evening at the Auditorium. The main business matters were the report of the secretary-treasurer and plans for the next concert. Austin Sundberg presented a financial report which showed that the Society has over two hundred dollars in its treasury. This fund would have been much larger had the society not been forced to draw from same to pay for debts which had been contracted during six weeks prior to the concert. The society commenced its work with a small fund secured from associate members. This soon dwindled as payments were made for hall rent and conductor services. During the months before the Messiah concert the Society had its financial difficulties. These with the large expenses incurred by the concert have been paid and the Society will go forward preparing for its second appearance in concert to be held during the second or third week in the month of May. The Society is now selecting a suitable composition for the next concert work upon which will begin at once.

David Nyvall of Minneapolis was re-engaged as conductor at an increased salary.

## ONLY A FEW DAYS LEFT TO FILE YOUR INCOME TAX

Every citizen of the United States is subject to the provisions of the income tax law. He may live in this country or he may live abroad, possessing no property within the United States and deriving no income from sources within the United States. Nevertheless, he must file a return if single and his net income for 1921 was \$1,000 or more or his gross income \$5,000 or more, or if married and his net income was \$2,000 or more or his gross income was \$5,000 or more. Divorces or persons separated from husband or wife by mutual agreement are classed as single persons.

The same obligation to file a return and pay the tax rests on a resident alien, although his entire income may be derived from sources without the United States.

While forms were sent to persons who last year filed returns, failure to receive a form does not relieve an individual of his or her obligation to file a return and pay the tax on time—on or before March 15, if filed on a calendar year basis. Forms 1040A for returns of income of \$5,000 and less and 1040 for returns of income in excess of \$5,000 may be obtained at the office of Collector of Internal Revenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, and the following branch offices: Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Mankato and Winona.

## N P L CONVENTION IN CITY ON FRIDAY

**County Convention Called for Friday. Meet in Central Labor Rooms**

The County convention of the Non-partisan League will be held on the coming Friday when delegates from townships will assemble. These will meet in the rooms of the Central Labor Body in the basement of the Tribune Building.

C. O. Bergquist, county chairman, will preside at the meeting.

### INTEREST IN STORE

In the new clothing firm of which Walter and Roy Erickson will be the managers, and which will be located in the East portion of the I. C. Olson Furniture Store, G. A. Erickson and Arthur Erickson will also have part interest. In fact, Mr. G. A. Erickson will possess half interest in the new firm while Walter, Roy and Arthur will each hold one-sixth value. Remodelling work is now being done in the place to be occupied by the concern.

### ENTERTAINED

Miss Lorraine Lonien entertained 6 guests at her home, 333 Second Street, West, in honor of Hazel and Marjory McLaughlin of Virginia, last Saturday afternoon. Refreshments were served.

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## A HYDRAULIC GRAVEL PLANT

**Wellknown Citizens Embark in a Big Washed Gravel and Sand Enterprise**

Messrs. Wm. O. Johnson, C. J. Swenson and H. L. Wedell have associated themselves under the firm name of the Willmar Washed Sand and Gravel Co. These gentlemen have acquired property on the shores of Long Lake, two miles south of Hawick, which contains some very excellent deposits of gravel and sand. The gravel will be dug and delivered by a huge 10-inch hydraulic suction dredge run by a 200 h. p. oil engine stationed on a floating barge. This machine will deliver the material about 400 feet to an electric screen where it will be washed, screened and separated into different grades. The pump will have a capacity of 100 cubic yds of gravel per hour which is delivered with about nine times that amount of water.

The equipment will be on the grounds about March 15, and will be ready for operation about April 1. The gravel will furnish all sizes of washed gravel and sand for concrete and other purposes. They will have a spur track from the Willmar-St. Cloud line of the Great Northern.

The offices of the company are located in the basement of the Tallman building with Wm. O. Johnson in charge. Mr. C. J. Swenson will have charge of the operation of the plant. These two partners are the only active members of the firm.

### TAKES P. G. COURSE

Dr. P. C. Davison of the Willmar Clinic left Friday for New York City where he will enter the Post Graduate school for a two weeks course.

## NEW PRIMARY TO BE TRIED TUESDAY

**Two Highest For Each City Office Go On Ballot April 4th**

Under the provisions of the Fourth Amendment to the city charter adopted at the last annual city election the old practice of having a city caucus and nominating candidates by petition will be supplanted by a simple primary election.

This plan will be tried the first time next Tuesday, March 14, at the usual polling places in the city.

The City Clerk will provide a blank ballot with a space for each office to be filled, and at any time between nine o'clock a. m. and nine o'clock p. m. any voter may go to the polls and write or stick in the names of the candidates whom such voter desires to see placed on the ballot. The two having the largest vote for each office will be placed on the ballot for the spring election. No party or other designation will be permitted on the ballot. The day will also be a registration day for the registration of new voters.

This will be the most progressive ballot yet devised for a smaller community, and its success at Willmar may count considerably for ballot reform in the opposite direction from that in which machine politicians are now loading down the election laws with needless red tape with which to safeguard their interests. The Willmar idea is that the office should seek the person and not the person the office. This applies especially to non-clerical offices such as mayor and aldermen. Another point is that there will always be a choice for the voters to express at the city election for each office, which will add to the interest of the election and always give a chance for the people to make a change when they want it.

If the candidates nominated will then leave the matter of this election to the people without personal solicitation or the expending of any money at all a precedent will be set in our city which will eliminate the disagreeableness that often cause good men to shrink from standing as candidates for office.

### SLEIGH RIDE PARTY

On Wednesday evening of last week the following young people: Misses Hannah Johnson, Gladys Strombert, Hattie Hoglund, Frances Broman, and Alice Anderson, and Willard Lundquist, Helge Seastedt, Herbert Hoglund, George and Einar Brogren and Wesley Broman enjoyed a sleigh ride party to Kaadivohi at which place they had a lunch and returned to this city a very good time is reported by all.

## SUCCESSFUL BANQUET

**Father and Son Banquet Draws Attendance of 104 Friday Evening**

The Father and Son Banquet held Friday evening at Carlson's Hall by the Men's Society of the Bethel Lutheran church was in every way a success. The ladies of the Fidelis Society served the menu. President T. J. Sampson presided over the meeting. Toasts were given by Atty. Charles Johnson on the "father," by County Auditor Samuel Nelson on "Mother" and Oscar Augustson on the "son." Samuel Nelson rendered several vocal numbers with "mother" as their theme. Mayor V. E. Lawson spoke briefly both in regard to the theme of "mother" and also local church problems. Atty. Henry G. Young spoke forcibly on "parent laxness in control of their children and their amusements."

The attendance registered was 104 men containing a good representation of the youth of the congregation.

## COLD SUFFERERS NUMEROUS IN CITY

**School Attendance Greatly Affected By Cold Ailments Among Children**

The peculiar weather conditions of the past weeks coupled with the melting snows and watery conditions of the streets have been the chief causes in the increase in colds and related ailments from which quite a few in the city are suffering. Colds both in chest and head and here and there a case of influenza and pneumonia have caused a large number to remain indoors and combat the malady in bed. This has been the general advice of the city physicians. Every person who knows that he has a cold beyond a mild stage should not leave the house for place of employment or office but confine oneself to the home or even better to the bed chamber.

The slush and water on the streets have brought about colds thru wet feet. This should be watched carefully. The children in particular on their way to and from school usually cannot avoid getting their feet wet and consequently soon are taken with a cold.

Dr. Jno. M. Rains, Health Officer, has issued this statement: "La Grippe has been prevalent in this city last week but is moderating itself this week. Those suffering from it should stay at home for 2 or 3 days as that is the infectious period. La Grippe is the first stage of the "flu." Food stuffs must not be handled by infected persons. Patients and their attendants should wash their hands frequently.

"Most of the cases are among adults. In the schools a number of teachers and pupils in the High School and some of the upper grades are on the sick list. From now on, we expect a rapid decline in the number of cases.

### RENVILLE FIRE

One of Renville's most prominent men, Harry Molenaar, came into this office on Friday and told about the sounding of the fire bell in Renville the Sunday evening previous. There was a fire in the Clifton Larson home and burned all the furniture and the whole interior of the building. This is a great loss to the owner. Just how the fire started cannot be accounted for as the family was not at home and Mr. Larson was busy around the barn. The fire was first seen by Jake Jacobson who also turned in the fire alarm. Mr. Molenaar also tells us of their drayman who was hauling hay on Saturday afternoon and upset with the load and was thrown to the hard ground with such force that he broke his arm, and received other scratches and bruises about the face and body.

### GUNDERSON-ERICKSON

Last Thursday afternoon there occurred at the Edw. Erickson home a quiet home wedding when their daughter Marie was united in holy wedlock to Geo. B. Gunderson of Eagle Lake in the presence of only immediate relatives. Rev. Gynild officiated. Their only attendants were Lillie Erickson, a sister of the bride, and Carl Chessness, a cousin, of the groom.

They will be at home after March 10, on a farm near Spicer.

### LEGION MEETING

The March meeting of the Hanscom Post of the American Legion is being held this evening at the Odd Fellows Hall. The usual business matters will come up. A special business affair is that of the census of the ex-service men in the county and a record of their needs. It is expected that the local Post will take definite action on this proposition.

## COMMERCIAL CLUB MEETING

**March Meeting Held Last Friday Evening. Armory Discussed**

The Willmar Commercial Club met last Friday night. Elmer Peterson, vice president of the club, presided in the absence of Hilda Hoglund, who was under the weather with a cold. The routine business was disposed of. Horace Spencer and Anton Haroldson were elected members of the club.

J. Emil Nelson introduced three red-hot resolutions on the armory question which were laid on the table.

Mr. Hong, for the armory committee, reported the visit to the city council and the action taken there. It was voted that the committee proceed and raise the \$1,000 to be deposited with the State as evidence of good faith.

Mr. Hong questioned the statement made in the council room of the probable cost to the city of the maintenance of the proposed armory reaching \$2,500 annually. Atty. T. O. Gilbert also questioned this very strongly. Mayor Lawson said no plans or specifications nor any information regarding the proposed building had been given the council, on which an opinion nor any intelligent action could be based. Current reports spoke of a swimming pool, club rooms, municipal band rooms, and rest rooms to be included, and from knowledge he possessed of the cost of such adjuncts to a building he was sure the initial cost would exceed \$45,000 and that the upkeep would require very conservatively \$2,500 a year.

Atty. Oterness said he was glad that the mayor had raised this question of cost of building and stated as his opinion that all expensive frills would have to be cut from the building. He was also glad that the mayor's opposition was only a matter of economy and not opposition to the military unit.

This brought the mayor up again, and he stated that in the first instance he had simply attempted to answer the question raised as to cost of the building and its upkeep. That he was glad to state his position on the militaristic point of view. He realized that a national guard organization was necessary in a state government to furnish a skeleton military organization for use in an emergency, but he did not think it was necessary for Willmar to have a company when a large share of the people were opposed to it. He had nothing against a national guardsman as an individual, but he knew that when big corporate interests employing labor had undue influence with the state government the power of the national guard was oftentimes abused so flagrantly that one could not help but sympathize with the antipathy of the laboring men felt towards the organization.

He believed that the proper way to settle the question at Willmar is to submit the matter of city aid for an armory to a vote of the people in the city. He cited the instance at Breckenridge where the people last week voted in favor of an armory by 90 votes majority. He hoped to see the question submitted to a vote at Willmar. He would not vote in favor of the proposition, but if a majority of the people in the city wanted it, he would not veto it.

O. R. Berkness spoke saying that the city needed an auditorium and that he thought this aid from the state and from the legacy of the late Gov. Rice was an opportunity that should not be passed.

Others spoke, including Capt. Klingenberg and Dr. Malmgren, both favoring the National Guard organization. It was stated that the Willmar Company has been fully recruited and that a state officer will be here on Thursday to muster in the unit into the service.

The club adjourned without taking any action on the suggestion made in the four-column editorial in the Republican Gazette that a site for an armory be provided by private subscription.

### EBEN LAWSON IS BACK

Eben E. Lawson returned Monday night from St. Peter where he has been professionally engaged in art work on a publication to be issued by the students of Gustavus Adolphus College in honor of the sixtieth anniversary of the school to be celebrated in June.

Algot Lindholm, who has been employed at the Capital Shoe Store in this city for about a year left on Monday for Devils Lake, N. D., at which place he will be engaged in farming the coming season. He brought a carload of stuff with him from this part of the county which he shipped out of Litchfield.