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PETITIONED THE GOVERNOR

Bemidji Will Probably Have Regular Company of State Militia.

MEETING WAS HELD AT CITY HALL LAST NIGHT.

J. L. Reynolds Elected Captain and Allen Benner First Lieutenant.

Bemidji's independent military company held a meeting last night and signed a petition asking the governor to appoint the company as a regular organization of the national guard, and that he commission the present officers, as follows:

J. L. Reynolds, captain; Allen Benner, first lieutenant; S. C. Bailey, second lieutenant.

The governor had ought to sign the petition, and there seems to be little doubt but that he will. There appears to be no reason why he should not. Bemidji is rightly located to have a company; there is no city in the state more favorably situated, in fact, and there is certainly no company in Minnesota made up of better material. Capt. Reynolds is justly proud of the organization, and says he does not believe that its personnel can be equaled by any other company in the state.

A militia company is a very good thing for any town, no matter where it may be and Bemidji citizens can well appreciate the efforts of those behind the move to get such an organization established here. Judge Reynolds in particular has devoted considerable time and energy to the project, and that the men appreciate his untiring efforts is evidenced by the fact that they elected him captain. There may be from 46 to 78 men in a state military organization, officers and privates. Bemidji will have the full quota.

MOOSE KILLED

Claimed That There is Not Enough Wardens to Protect Game.

The state game and fish commission contends that it has not enough wardens to properly protect the moose and deer of the northeastern part of the state. Reports of the destruction of moose are received at the office of the commission daily. The section of the state in which moose abound comprises 20,000 square miles, according to figures published in a Duluth paper. One game warden, it is said, cannot properly take care of more than from 300 to 500 square miles of territory. This would require at least 40 wardens, while the state is able to place only five to do the work in this district.

The wardens, however, in the last week have caught and convicted nine hunters in the vicinity of Grand Rapids for having moose meat in their possession out of season. Three of these were fined \$100 each and the others were fined \$50. The sentences of six were suspended by the court on the ground that they were very poor homesteaders and unable to pay the fine.

Martin Nelson is in town from Shevlin.

TRAGEDY IN THE FOREST

Homesteader Shot at His Claim by a Neighbor.

H. KEHRING SHOT AND KILLED BY W. CODDINGTON.

Coroner and Sheriff Have Gone to Scene of the Trouble.

Dr. Thomas Russell, county coroner for Itasca county and living at Grand Rapids, received a telegram from Bena yesterday, sent by L. F. Vance, who keeps Moose Lodge, a resort on the Big Fork river, saying that William Coddington had shot Henry Kehring the preceding evening at his claim. The telegram stated that the corpse was still in the woods.

Coroner Russell, together with Sheriff Hoolihan, left for the Big Fork country by way of Bena on the west-bound noon passenger. On arrival at Bena they wired County Attorney Spear that they had received information that Coddington had given himself up to officers. Vance's place is thirty miles in the wilderness north of Bena. The roads are rough, and it will be Monday before Russell and Hoolihan will reach the scene of the tragedy.

The body of Kehring still lies in the depths of the forest, where it has remained untouched since the shooting on Monday awaiting the action of the coroner. An inquest will be held today.

Sheriff Hoolihan has warrants for Coddington's arrest. He will be brought down to Grand Rapids, arraigned before Justice Huson, given his preliminary examination and held to await the action of the grand jury in December.

Kehring, the man who was killed, is a German homesteader about sixty-five years old, who has lived on his claim several years, and is a neighbor of Coddington. The latter, who killed him, is about forty years old, unmarried, and lives with his father on the latter's claim.

PLEASANT PARTY

Dr. Blakslee Proved Himself to be a Royal Entertainer Last Night.

Dr. F. A. Blakslee last evening gave a party at his home two miles west of town in honor of friends visiting from Fosston. There were twenty couples from Bemidji in attendance and a delightful evening was spent. The house and grounds were prettily decorated for the occasion with Japanese lanterns, flowers, etc. There was dancing and refreshments were served. The party was a great success and Dr. Blakslee proved himself to be a royal entertainer.

L. H. Bailey has returned from St. Paul.

Andy Danaher of Tenstrike is in the city.

Miss Marie Gardner of Minneapolis is visiting her sister, Mrs. Chas. Knopke.

Miss Marion Chandler of Minneapolis is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brooks. She expects to remain in the city for about three weeks.

REACH NORTHOME SEPTEMBER 1

Construction of Minnesota & International Is Progressing Rapidly.

HOVEY JUNCTION BRANCH WILL ALSO BE COMPLETE THEN.

Passengers Can Ride to Northome After First of Next Month.

The Minnesota & International, which is pushing north and northeast from Bemidji toward the international boundary, expects to have its line into Northome, the new town 15 miles north of Blackduck, completed by Sept. 1 and in operation. Another 12 miles of track from Hovey Junction, six miles north of Blackduck, in a northwesterly direction toward Red Lake, will be completed at the same time.

General Manager Gemmill advises the state railroad and warehouse commission that passenger and freight tariffs over the new construction have been filed, and that the line will be ready for inspection after the first of next month. On Mr. Gemmill's invitation the members of the commission will make a trip over the new line soon after the opening of regular service.

PROTESTS FILED

The Sale of Cass Lake Pine Is Still Attracting Attention.

A dispatch from Washington states that protests are being received by the interior department from citizens in the northern part of Minnesota, against any extension of time for the sales of timber on the Chippewa Indian reservation which are now scheduled to be held in 1905 and 1907. Assistant secretary of the Interior Ryan and Land Commissioner Richards are wrought up over a story printed in a Twin City paper to the effect that an agreement has been reached with lumbermen as to an extension of the time for the sale of this timber under the Morris act.

Secretary Ryan said yesterday that Commissioner Richards and himself have the question under consideration, and their decision will be made to conform to the best interests of all parties concerned.

Geo. Ostrander of Tenstrike is in town.

A want ad in the Daily Pioneer is a winner. Try one.

C. B. Joy of Chicago is visiting with Chas. Folker today.

W. L. Brady of Grand Falls is taking in the sights of the city today.

The Daily Pioneer's want columns are good result getters. Try them.

M. A. Rogalen, of Turtle River, secretary of the Selkoe Land and Mercantile Co., is here on business today.

Mrs. Jennie Wood of Washington has returned to her home after an extended visit here with her sister, Mrs. Grant.

Ole Peterson, for some time past connected with Schneider Bros.' Clothing store, has accepted a position in Barney Burton's store at Little Falls.

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THINGS GOOD TO EAT

SMASH IN STOCKS

WALL STREET IS GIVEN ANOTHER VERY HARD SHAKING UP.

TWO BIG FIRMS GO UNDER

MAKES A TOTAL OF SIX FAILURES IN THE LAST ELEVEN DAYS.

ATMOSPHERE BEING CLARIFIED

SOLID MEN SMILE, BUT OTHERS FEAR MORE LARGE FAILURES.

New York, Aug. 7.—Urgent liquidation carried the entire security market down yesterday and there were indications later in the day that the demoralization in stocks was affecting other markets adversely.

The cotton market in particular breaks heavily under what appeared to be vigorous liquidation from clique sources. To the weakness of the general Wall street situation was attributed the large selling of wheat that took place in the grain market. Two more failures, making a total of six in the last eleven days, were recorded yesterday, when Sharp & Bryan and Huributt, Hatch & Co. announced their inability to meet their obligations. Neither failure occasioned the slightest surprise; in fact both had been discounted for a week or more.

The day's business can best be summarized by the statement that almost four scores of stocks, fully two-thirds of the active list, touched

The Lowest Record reached during the present movement, which had its inception last September. At the close of the day some of the solid interests—and it is suggested that these interests have been "out of the market" for weeks past, save here and there when support was most necessary—spoke reassuringly, and they declared that the financial atmosphere was being clarified, but Wall street as a whole could see no silver lining in the clouds, much less a golden one. Other failures were confidently predicted, and the names of several important firms were mentioned as among those in financial straits. A sharp break in sterling exchange during the day was coupled with the suggestion that at least one international banking house had been making desperate efforts to borrow money abroad. Officers of leading local banks and trust companies declined to discuss the situation except to express confidence as to the sound condition of financial institutions.

According to the statement of the assignee, Sharp & Bryan's liabilities are about \$5,000,000, mostly secured. No statement regarding the affairs of Huributt, Hatch & Co. was obtainable.

LATTER DAY ROMANCE.

Ex-Convict Steals His Friend's Wife by Force and Runs Away.

Portland, Or., Aug. 7.—Harry Riley, an ex-convict who was released from the Salem penitentiary yesterday, beat Elliott Parkhurst and forced Mrs. Parkhurst, daughter of the former warden of the penitentiary, and a niece of ex-Gov. T. T. Geer, to run away with him. Parkhurst knew Riley while a prisoner, as he was formerly a deputy sheriff of this county, and had often visited the penitentiary. He met Riley at the depot when he was released for good behavior from a five-year sentence for burglary, took him to the ball game and in every way was treat-

ing him as a friend. While walking home with Mr. and Mrs. Parkhurst in the evening Riley suddenly turned upon Parkhurst and administered a severe beating. Then, according to Parkhurst's statement, he was robbed by the powerful ex-convict and forced to run for his life. Riley hailed a passing hack and was driven away with the woman. Neither has been seen since. It is believed that Riley fell in love with the warden's pretty daughter while he was a prisoner.

MANY OFFICERS RESIGN.

Men of All Grades Find the Life Unsatisfactory for Various Reasons.

Washington, Aug. 7.—During the last seven months twenty-nine officers have resigned from the army. Of this number but six were West Pointers. They ranged in rank from brigadier general to second lieutenant. Some resigned to look after business interests, but some withdrew because they found they were not fitted for the service and did not care for the life. The resignations previous to the Spanish war were comparatively few. In 1897 only seven surrendered their commissions, while in 1902 the voluntary withdrawals numbered fourteen.

Stole From the Mint.

Philadelphia, Aug. 7.—Robert J. Kilpatrick, employed as a laborer at the United States mint in this city, has been arrested by secret service operatives, charged with stealing \$58 silver dollars from a mint vault.

Two Physicians Drowned.

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 7.—Dr. Adolph Cuddell and Dr. Ernest H. Luetz, two prominent young Cleveland physicians, were drowned in Lake Erie, off the German-American club house last evening.

STORM HURTS CROPS.

Wind and Rain Causes Heavy Loss to Farmers.

Marshfield, Wis., Aug. 7.—A severe wind and rain storm set in last night accompanied by thunder and lightning. Grain is badly lodged as a result of the storm, and will not be likely to straighten up again, as it was well headed and top-heavy.

Winona, Minn.—Farmers in this vicinity, and especially across the river in Wisconsin, suffered damage to their grain fields to the extent of thousands of dollars by the severe rain and wind storm that passed over this section at an early hour yesterday morning. Many fields of standing grain were leveled and there will be great difficulty in harvesting it.

New Richmond, Wis.—Wind, rain, hail and lightning did considerable damage in this region last night. Crops in some districts suffered disastrously, particularly corn. Lightning struck a number of places.

HEAD PULLED APART.

Awful Death of a Workman Among Mill Machinery.

Little Falls, Minn., Aug. 7.—The first fatal accident in the Pine Tree mills in thirteen years occurred last evening. Peter Seebava, a Pole, aged about forty-five, who feeds a planer, had stopped the machine and was oiling up when he was caught by the belt running on the loose pulley and between that and the stationary pulley was instantly killed. The part of his head above the lower jaw was pulled off and the body was so wedged in the machinery that a shaft had to be taken out in order to extricate the remains. Every bone in his body was broken.

ATTACKS BOND ISSUE.

East Grand Forks Said to Be Already at the Debt Limit.

Crookston, Minn., Aug. 7.—Suit has been begun here in the district court before Judge Grindelund asking that a permanent injunction be issued against the city of East Grand Forks.

FATE FOLLOWS THEM.

Three Sons in One Family Meet Death by Drowning.

Sloux City, Iowa, Aug. 7.—N. Jounker of Orange City, Iowa, has just lost the third son by drowning. Jacob Jounker, aged twenty-three, lost his life yesterday while bathing in the West Branch creek. The Jounker parents lost two other sons by drowning recently.

HOMESTEADER MURDERED.

Tragedy Occurs in Itasca County—Motive for Killing Not Known.

Grand Rapids, Minn., Aug. 7.—F. L. Vance of Moose Lodge, on the Big Fork river, Itasca county, wired from Bena that Henry Kehring, a German homesteader in the Big Fork valley had been shot and killed by William Coddington at the former's claim. Sheriff Hoolihan and Coroner Russell left on the noon train for the scene of the tragedy. The sheriff wired here later that Coddington has given himself up to the local authorities. The motive for the killing is not yet known. Kehring was sixty-five years of age, of quiet disposition and very popular with all who knew him. Coddington is thirty-eight years old and resides on his father's claim. It is reported here that he has been a hard drinker and is disposed to quarrel. In fact he is reported to be unbalanced mentally.

STRENUOUS LOVEMAKING.

Young Man With Revolver Hunts Recreant Sweetheart.

La Crosse, Wis., Aug. 7.—Enraged that his sweetheart, Miss Pearl Dickerson, should be escorted by Walter Burdick, his most bitter rival, John Michelson of Mabel, Minn., a few miles west of here, yesterday procured a revolver and pursued the couple through the streets of the village, creating intense excitement. All shots went wild, and as the crazed lover drew upon them, preparing to fire again, he was overpowered by the village marshal and several citizens who were called upon for assistance. The crowd escorted Michelson to the outskirts of the village and warned him not to return.

ATTEMPTED TRAIN WRECKING.

Dynamite is Placed on the Track and the Engine is Badly Damaged.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 7.—An attempt was made one mile west of Bozeman to wreck a Northern Pacific train with dynamite. Engine 29, pulling a west-bound train, was wrecked by an explosion which broke the headlight, shattering the windows of the cab and otherwise damaged the locomotive. Engineer Dean was not injured. The perpetrator of the outrage is supposed to be the same person who tried to blow up a Northern Pacific bridge over the Yellowstone river at Livingston Sunday.

VERY ORDERLY LYNCING.

Murderer of a Little Girl is Executed by a Mob.

Asotin, Wash., Aug. 7.—Despite the efforts of the victim's father, Sheriff Richards of Asotin county, who had sworn in twenty-five deputies to guard William Hamilton, a well-to-do farmer, the confessed murderer of Little Mabel Richards, was forcibly taken from the county jail shortly after midnight and lynched by a mob of over a thousand men which had been gathering all day from all parts of the county. Before the lynching Hamilton confessed his guilt.

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