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## Suitable Suggestions for the Yule-Cide!

<p>Cloaks and Suits Silk Kimonos Silk and Linen Waists Ladies' Hand Bags Furs of all Kinds Kid Gloves, Neckwear Silk Petticoats Holiday Slippers Hand Made Handkerchiefs Cluney and Drawn Work Ladies' Silk and Lisle Hosiery</p>	<p><b>Buy Substantial, Useful Gifts</b> Suggestions for Appropriate Selections</p> <p>CHRISTMAS remembrances are always difficult of selection for a great many people, and it often happens that some useless novelty or trinket is chosen in the belief that some people hold that Christmas presents should be something that the recipient wouldn't buy himself. There is nothing more appropriate for members of the family or intimate friends than some reasonable gift in wearing apparel. In the suggestions offered in this announcement you will find a number of articles which are particularly acceptable to men, women and children. In our clothing section you will find Suits and Overcoats of high-class; and in particaly all lines, we have made special price reductions for the season.</p>	<p>Men's Overcoats Boy's Suits Boy's Overcoats Sweaters Hats and Caps Shoes Shirts Suspenders Smoking Jackets Bath Robes Cravats</p>
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**Norwegian Lutheran Church.**  
Services on Christmas Day at 10:30 a. m. The Christmas tree festival for the Sunday School will be held Sunday evening, December 26th, at 7:30 o'clock.  
STORE FIXTURES—Store fixtures for sale. Inquire at this office.

**Pictures Minnesota's Iron Ranges.**  
The Virginia Enterprise, published at Virginia, one of the most ambitious little cities on the Mesaba iron range, this week issued in book form an illustrated history of the Minnesota iron ranges, the towns which they support and the surrounding country.  
The edition is neatly printed and besides a great collection of historical facts interesting to every Minnesotan, it is replete with illustrations showing the mines and the methods of working them; the towns and their principal buildings; the shipping facilities; the docks and railroads and loading apparatus; portraits of the men who are making history and wealth in northeastern Minnesota, and, finally, excellent pictures of the many charming lakes and woodland scenes which go to make life worth living in that section.  
No edition more complete or attractive has ever been issued by any paper in the Northwest.—St. Paul Dispatch.

**Christmas Presents for Men.**  
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"Man wants but little here below" and at Christmas time, if it is some dainty bit of Jewelry or some novelty in Sterling Silver, something for his desk or office or room, or something for his pocket, he will be pleased and the more so if it bears the quality distinction of coming from this store.  
P. SAVOLAINEN.

**Swedish Mission Church.**  
Corner Wyoming avenue and Locust street. P. Lindh, pastor.  
Christmas morning, special services will be held at six o'clock. Good music and singing. Be sure to come on time.  
Sunday, December 26, preaching at 11 a. m. Sunday School Festival at 7 p. m. A splendid program will be rendered.  
New Year's Eve, services from 10 12 o'clock.  
All who are able to understand the Scandinavian language are cordially invited to attend.

**Buy a Christmas Stamp.**  
Every Red Cross stamp is a well-directed blow against consumption. One cent thus spent may save a life.  
It is an evidence of knowledge. It gives the poor people an opportunity to contribute toward the anti-tuberculosis movement.  
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**Card Social.**  
The F. Y. L. Club will give a 1900 Card Social at North Pole Hall on Wednesday evening next, December 29th, at 8:00 o'clock sharp. A good lunch will be served and honors awarded. Admission 35 cents. All cordially invited.

### EXTENSIVE WORK IN BARABOO DISTRICT

**Steel Corporation Doing Much Exploratory Work in Wisconsin Field.**  
The United States Steel Corporation, which has greatly expanded its field of operations in the Lake Superior mining district during the past few years, is now engaged in extensive exploratory work in the Baraboo district, in Sauk county, southwestern Wisconsin, where several large bodies of ore are said to have been proven and to which field it is said the big corporation will turn the attention of its mining department another season.  
The first mining work was done in that district in 1903, since which time the output has aggregated some 350,000 tons. The greater part of this has come from the Illinois mine of the International Harvester company. The success of the Illinois mine attracted others, and for a time the Baraboo district was the scene of much exploratory work. The heavy flow of water encountered in many of the new prospects discouraged the operators, however, and many of them left the field after spending a considerable amount of money in their efforts to develop paying ore bodies. The geological conditions are such that there will perhaps always be considerable water to contend with.  
About three years ago, when the Steel corporation began exploring and acquiring mineral lands, few of the original prospectors were working in the field. The greater part of the corporation's drilling and other exploratory work done there up to this time has been directed by men from the Lake Superior region. The company has followed a systematic plan, and the results of its work will be greatly to the advantage of the district. The Whiteside lands were the corporation's original holdings, but several more parcels have been taken over.  
Besides mapping out a plan for conducting development work on a large and systematic scale, the company has also planned for the erection of mine buildings and the installation of permanent plants of machinery. While the Baraboo district is still in its infancy it promises, within a few years, to be a considerable factor in ore production. It is much nearer to the Gary mills than any of the other iron districts in which the corporation is interested and it is understood that the entire product will go to that town.  
It is expected that the company will ship its first ore from the field early next season, but it is not anticipated that the output will be particularly heavy, as there is still much work to be done before the ore bodies are developed sufficiently to permit the mines to be operated on a large scale. All of the company's properties will be operated on the underground plan.

**New Line of Silverware.**  
P. Savolainen, the jeweler, has just received a handsome new line of silverware, for the Holiday trade. A complete line in every department to which your inspection is invited.

**Christmas Service at St. Paul's.**  
The Christmas service at St. Paul's Church will be held at midnight on Christmas eve. A cordial invitation extended to all.

### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE RANGE BRICK COMPANY

The undersigned do hereby associate themselves together for the purpose of organizing a corporation pursuant to Chapter Fifty-eight (58) of the Revised Laws of Minnesota, 1905, and especially under sections 2844-2849-2922-2955-2954-2959-3005 and 3006 of said Revised Laws and any and all other Acts and Laws supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof, and for that purpose have adopted and executed the following Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE I.**  
The name of this Corporation shall be the Range Brick Company.

**ARTICLE II.**  
The general nature of its business shall be that of manufacturing sand, lime and clay brick, artificial stone, all kinds of building blocks, both plain and ornamental, and other articles, wares and commodities from sand, clay, lime, cement, lumber and other materials to purchase, own and equip and operate the necessary lands, and beds of sand and clay, lime and cement, buildings, machinery and tools necessary to carry on said manufacturing; to sell, convey and dispose of any part or portion, or all of the same including the said products, and to enlarge or establish branches for the manufacture, sale and disposition of said products, or other property, and the transaction of all other business necessary and incidental to such manufacture and sale, needful to be performed for the successful operation of said business.

**ARTICLE III.**  
The principal office for the transaction of the business of this Corporation shall be in Hibbing, Minnesota, with branch office of said Company for the transaction of its general business.

**ARTICLE IV.**  
The time of the commencement of this Corporation shall be Sept. 27th, 1909, and the period of its continuance shall be thirty years from said September 27th, 1909.

**ARTICLE V.**  
The amount of the capital stock of this Corporation shall be One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) Dollars, and the same shall be paid in at such times and in such amounts as the Board of Directors shall direct.

**ARTICLE VI.**  
The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which this Corporation shall at any time be subject, shall be Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars.

**ARTICLE VII.**  
The names and places of residence of the persons forming this Corporation are as follows:  
C. A. Remington, Hibbing, Minnesota.  
H. S. Lord, Carlton, Minnesota.  
A. W. Kerridge, Minneapolis, Minnesota.  
John C. Kees, Minneapolis, Minnesota.  
R. L. Hall, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**ARTICLE VIII.**  
The first Board of Directors of this Corporation shall consist of C. A. Remington, H. S. Lord, A. W. Kerridge, John C. Kees and R. L. Hall, and the government and management of this Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Five (5) Directors, who shall elect a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and a manager of the Corporation, and appoint such other officers and agents as they may deem necessary. The Office of the Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person at the same time.  
Until their successors are elected and have entered upon the discharge of their duties, the following named persons shall be the officers of the Corporation, viz:  
C. A. Remington, President.  
H. S. Lord, Vice-President.  
John C. Kees, Secretary.  
I. E. Green, Treasurer.

Who shall hold their respective offices until the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of this Corporation which shall be held on the 2nd Tuesday in January of each year at 2 o'clock P. M. at the office of the Secretary in Hibbing, Minnesota, at which time the Board of Directors shall be elected by the stockholders for the term of one year. The Board of Directors shall make and establish all the By-Laws, rules and regulations for the Corporation.  
The officers shall be selected by the Board of Directors immediately after their election after the annual meeting of the stockholders.

**ARTICLE IX.**  
The capital stock of this corporation shall consist of One Thousand (1000) shares of the par value of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars each.  
In witness Whereof, We have hereunto set our hands and seals this 25th day of September, 1909.  
C. A. REMINGTON, (Seal.)  
H. S. LORD, (Seal.)  
A. W. KERRIDGE, (Seal.)  
JNO. C. KEES, (Seal.)  
R. L. HALL, (Seal.)

In presence of: Witness for  
EDW. TATRO C. A. Remington  
I. E. GREEN As to H. S. Lord  
JAS. T. PERKINS As to A. W. Kerridge  
FRANK H. TUTTLE J. C. Kees  
K. L. Hall

State of Minnesota, ss.  
County of Hennepin, ss.  
On this 25th day of Sept. A. D. 1909, before me, a Notary Public within and for said County, personally appeared H. S. Lord to me known to be the person described in, and who executed the foregoing and within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.  
JOHN E. GREEN,  
Notary Public, Carlton County, Minn.  
My Commission Expires Nov. 17, 1911.

State of Minnesota, ss.  
County of Hennepin, ss.  
On this 25th day of Sept. A. D. 1909, before me, a Notary Public within and for said County, personally appeared O. A. Remington to me known to be the person described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.  
H. P. REED,  
Notary Public, Carlton County, Minn.  
My Commission Expires Mar. 10, 1910.

State of Minnesota, ss.  
County of Hennepin, ss.  
On this 25th day of Sept. 1909, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared A. W. Kerridge, J. C. Kees, R. L. Hall, to me personally known to be the same persons described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein expressed and as their free act and deed.  
JAS. T. PERKINS  
Notary Public, Hennepin County, Minn.  
My Commission Expires Jan. 26th, 1913.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
I hereby certify that the within instrument was filed in this office on the 27th day of September, A. D. 1909, at 12 o'clock, M., and was duly recorded in book 3 of Incorporation, on page 21.  
JULIUS A. SCHMAHL,  
Secretary of State.

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF DEEDS.  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
County of St. Louis, ss.  
I hereby certify that the within instrument was filed in this office for record Dec. 19th, 1909, and was duly recorded in book 10 of Deeds, page 38.  
M. C. PALMER,  
Register of Deeds  
By THOS. CLARK, Deputy.

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**Clerk-Carrier Examination.**  
Virginia, Minnesota.  
(Males Only)  
January 5, 1910.  
The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on the date and at the place named above an examination will be held for the positions of clerk and carrier in the Post Office Service.  
Clerks in offices of the first and second classes and carriers in the city delivery service are divided into six grades, as follows: First grade, salary \$300; second grade, salary \$280; third grade, salary \$260; fourth grade, salary \$240; fifth grade, salary \$220; sixth grade, salary \$200. Clerks and carriers at first class offices will be promoted successively to the fifth grade, and clerks and carriers at second class offices will be promoted successively to the fourth grade.  
All promotions of both clerks and carriers will be made at the beginning of the quarter following the expiration of a year's service in the next lower grade. No promotion will be made except upon evidence satisfactory to the Post Office Department of the efficiency and faithfulness of the employee during the preceding year. When a clerk or carrier fails of promotion because of unsatisfactory service he may be promoted at the beginning of the second quarter thereafter, or of any subsequent quarter, on evidence that his record has been satisfactory during the intervening period. Clerks and carriers of the highest grade in their respective offices are eligible for promotion to the higher positions in said post offices.  
Any clerk is eligible for transfer to the service of a carrier, and any carrier is eligible for transfer to the service of a clerk.  
Auxiliary employees are paid for actual service at the rate of 30 cents an hour. Such auxiliary employees, however, are required to work not less than two hours daily and may serve as substitutes. They are eligible for appointment as clerks and carriers of the first grade.  
Substitutes are paid at the rate of 30 cents an hour when serving in place of clerks and carriers, and they are eligible for appointment as auxiliary employees and as clerks and carriers of the first grade.  
The examination will consist of the subjects mentioned below, weighted as indicated:

**Subjects.**  
1. Spelling (twenty words of average difficulty in common use) ..... 10  
2. Arithmetic (simple test in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of whole numbers, common and decimal fractions, and United States money) ..... 20  
3. Letter writing (a letter of not less than 125 words on some subject of general interest. Competitors may select either of two subjects given) ..... 20  
4. Penmanship (the handwriting of the competitor in the subject of copying from plain copy will be considered with special reference to the elements of legibility, rapidity, neatness, general appearance, etc.) ..... 20  
5. Copying from plain copy (a simple test in copying accurately a few printed lines in the competitor's handwriting) ..... 10  
6. United States geography (relative to the boundaries of States, and to capitals, largest cities, rivers and other bodies of water, and the location by States of prominent cities, etc.) ..... 10  
7. Reading addresses (test in noting with pen or pencil on a printed sheet of addresses, differences between the printed addresses and the written addresses of which they are a copy) ..... 10

Total ..... 100  
Age limit, all positions, 18 to 45 years. The age limits are waived, however, in the cases of persons honorably discharged from the military or naval service by reason of disability resulting from wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty.  
Male applicants for the Post Office Service must be at least 5 feet 4 inches in height in bare feet, and 125 pounds in weight without overcoat and hat; otherwise their applications will be canceled. Female applicants are not required to be of any specific height or weight.  
Applicants for the Post Office Service are required to be physically sound and in good health. The Post Office Department has advised the Commission that no person who is defective in any of the following named particulars will be appointed to the position of carrier in the Post Office Service: Hunchbacks; persons having defective hearing, sight, or speech; persons blind in one eye; one-armed, one-handed, or one-legged persons; or those having crippled arms or legs, or those suffering from asthma or hernia. The above mentioned defects will also debar a person from appointment to the position of clerk in the Post Office Service, except that deaf mutes and persons with defective speech or hearing may be appointed to the position of mail clerk, distributor, and director, and forwarding clerk. Applications from persons who have any of the physical defects mentioned will be canceled, unless such persons are honorably discharged United States soldiers or sailors, entitled to preference under section 1754, Revised Statutes of the United States.  
Other physical defects may debar persons from this examination when in the judgment of the Commission such defects would render the person unfit to perform the duties of the position for which the examination is held.  
Married women will not be admitted to this examination. This prohibition, however, does not apply to divorced women or women who are separated from their husbands and support themselves.  
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