

WARREN SHEAF
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The annual city election will be held on Tuesday, March 19. A caucus for the nomination of officers will be held at the city hall this evening. The question of license will again be before the voters for their decision. It is generally conceded that no license will carry this year by even a larger vote than last year. Most of the people including the business men seem to be of the opinion that the city gets along fully as well, if not better, without saloons than with them. At least no one has made any strenuous work for license as yet and the no license people held a rousing field day meeting on Sunday, a week ago, when Carl Walden addressed a large audience at the opera house.

The Argyle Banner says that it has never opposed drainage and that all it has tried to do has been to discourage graft. Now everybody who has read the Banner at all knows that it has continually, in its news items and in its editorials, tried to rap and discourage drainage at every turn and when it says it has not opposed drainage it takes upon itself a virtue it does not possess. Here, for instance is a clipping from the Banner of the fall of 1910 in which it gives an account of the return of a hunting party and takes occasion to slander the whole eastern part of the county. Is that encouraging drainage? The Banner says:

"Mr. Ryan informed the reporter that ditching operations are going ahead at a rapid rate out there and that the hundreds of thousands of dollars that is being spent for those ditches and the straightening of river beds is what is proving to be the ruin of that country; the lands that were valuable for stock raising and the hay they produced and nothing more, is now ruined and will not even produce grass in the future. The settlers of the eastern country are up in arms over these ditches and the loss of their hay and claim shanties.

"The country between here and there abounds with large game of every description that has been driven in by the fires, and the possibility is that many deer will be killed tributary to Argyle this winter.

"The party did not get much game on the trip—only a few ducks and chickens, but they say they were perfectly satisfied with the trip to see for themselves the devastation of this immense country which is due principally to ditching, and in the future will be barren of all vegetation and valueless for agricultural purposes."

ARRESTED PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE BOYS AND GIRLS

One who has observed educational conditions to some extent in city schools, believes that too little attention is being given to the physical development of the boys and girls, especially those between the ages of twelve and eighteen. In our climate there are at least four months, December, January, February and March, months of short days and cold weather, when very little exercise is, or can be, taken in the open air. During these four months, nearly one half of the school year, the pupils are shut up in the school rooms and in their homes, deprived of nearly all exhilarating play, games, and physical exercises, which are so necessary in order to maintain their bodily health as well as their mental vigor. During these months, also, the schools endeavor to put in their best work, hence the pupils are goaded with lessons at a time when they are least capable for severe mental exertion. From nine o'clock in the morning until four in the afternoon excepting the noon intermission, they have to sit cramped up in their seats, often without a single chance to stretch their limbs or to fill their lungs with fresh whiffs of air. Even the old-fashioned recess has been dispensed with in many schools, thus making the conditions under which the pupils labor still more intolerable. No games are played in the school room, or are, perhaps, not even permitted and light calisthenics have fallen more or less into disuse, especially in the higher grades and in the high school. The instinct of play which all healthy children possess, and which does not cease when they reach the age of ten or twelve, but continues thruout all their years of bodily growth, is wholly lost sight of in our school work. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" is a saying that is as true when applied to school work as to any other kind of work.

Is there any wonder, then, that many bright city boys become listless, nervous and inattentive in the school room and incapable of doing the mental work demanded of them, and often acquire a distaste for their school work? A sound mind can dwell only in a sound body, and why, therefore, not utilize the instinct of play in young people for the harmonious development of their bodies? Then their minds would become strengthened, wide-awake and active, hence capable of doing much harder work in the school room. There should be good, strong courses of study in the high schools and no relaxation is favored in that respect, but the conditions under which the young people work, both in the school room and outside of it, should be such that they may be able to put forth their best efforts. Athletics in many city schools are sadly neglected or else carried on in a way to benefit those who need it least, while the weak or less active who need the stimulus of exercise most, frequently take no part.

In the early fall and late spring, when the weather has moderated and the days are longer, boys and girls can spend more time out of doors and will then generally of their own accord take all the exercise their bodies require, and this criticism does not then apply with the same force as during the four winter months.

The country boys and girls who have to walk a mile or two to and from school in the morning, generally get all the exercise they need, and sometimes too much, but they are the ones who develop strong, robust bodies, and when they do come to town to attend school they generally outdistance the town boys and girls. In many city homes there are no chores to do, and if there are, they frequently are of such a nature that they do not interest the young folks. A boy who has a fine team of horses he calls his own to take care of, enjoys that task. There is more suitable work for girls than for boys in nearly all city homes.

When young people awaken into self-consciousness, about the first thing they notice is that their bodies are growing, developing. What young boy has not gone to his father and asked him to feel his muscles, to see how big and strong they have grown, or to measure and compare his growth in stature with the father or some other member of the family. Girls, also, take cognizance of how fast they grow and view with amazement and satisfaction their metamorphosis from short to long dresses. The schools should recognize the phenomena of physical growth as well as mental and moral growth and train up a harmonious, well-balanced human being. Not all that is necessary toward this end can be done in the schools, but a great deal more can be done than is now attempted. If young people were trained to walk, sit, and breathe properly, something worth while would be accomplished. Let there be more joyful, healthful, exhilarating and wisely directed play in the school room and outside of it, and the young folks will take more interest in and gain greater efficiency in their regular studies. The boys will not take the first opportunity to leave school if their physical needs are properly supplied.

The Sheaf commends the thoughts contained in this article to the careful consideration of the Superintendent and Members of the Board of Education of the Warren schools, to the end that the conditions under which the pupils are compelled to work may be made more tolerable and their physical training given the attention it deserves.

This brings us to the question of providing properly-equipped gymnasiums for the physical training of the boys and girls of the cities. Every town ought to have one or more such places where the young may congregate for the purpose of developing themselves physically and socially. Then there would be no excuse for them to lounge about the depot, the post office, pool halls, or the streets. In many towns these are the only places in which the young people can congregate for a friendly chat, especially during the winter months. Oh, for some philanthropic Carnegie who will build a gymnasium for the boys and girls in all towns of the Northwest!

Ford Automobiles.

Five-passenger car, \$690.00 factory freight added. Three-passenger car, \$590.00, factory freight added. Cars fully equipped with top, wind-shield, speedometer and gas lamps. We have both used and sold the Ford cars for six years and know them to be right and thoroughly reliable. To insure spring delivery, we must have our orders now.—W. F. Powell & Co.

Post cards of Warren views, one cent each at the Sheaf Book and Stationery Store.

Auction Sale!

At the John Larson livery barn, in the village of Viking,
Monday, March 11, 1912.
9 horses, buggies, sleighs, harness, blankets, and robes, farm machinery, etc.—John Larson, Owner; W. H. Dixon, auctioneer.

On Sec. 14, town of Tabor, 4 miles west and 1 mile south of Angus, 10 miles south of Warren on
Wednesday, March 13, 1912
22 head of mules and 2 head of horses from 3 to 8 years old.—W. M. Short, Owner; Col. G. L. Short, Auctioneer.

On the Carl C. Bergan farm, one mile south and two miles east of Alvarado,
Friday, March 15, 1912
6 head of horses, 5 cows, 2 heifers, 2 calves, 1 bull, 3 sheep, 3 hogs, farm machinery, etc.—Carl C. Bergan, Owner; S. S. Trickey, Auctioneer.

On Section 30, town of Bristlet, Polk County, 4 miles south of Warren,
Saturday, March 16, 1912
10 horses, 9 milk cows, 1 high grade Short Horn bull, 9 head young stock, farm machinery, household goods, etc.—N. R. Engelstad, Owner; W. H. Dixon, Auctioneer.

At my farm in section 32, town of Marsh Grove, 7 miles northwest of the village of Viking,
Tuesday, March 19, 1912
6 head of horses, 4 cows, 4 Angora goats, farm machinery, blacksmith outfit, stump puller, some household goods, etc.—Ole Vikke, Owner; W. H. Dixon, Auctioneer.

On my farm one and one-half miles south of Alvarado, on
Saturday, March 9, 1912
58 head of horses, 15 mules, machinery of all kinds.—Casper Sands, Owner; S. S. Trickey, Auctioneer.

Have your Auction Sale Bills printed at the Sheaf Office.

WANT COLUMN

RATES:—One cent a word. No ad less than 10 cents. Cash.

FOR SALE or will exchange for small improved place in or close to Warren, a good 160-acre farm within 5 miles of Warren, nearly all open prairie, no buildings, part under cultivation. For further information apply at Sheaf office. 2 tpd.

FOR SALE—About 200 bushels of barley.—John J. Olson, R. 2, Warren, Sec. 15, McCrea township. 2tpd

SWEDISH SELECT SEED OATS for sale.—O. N. Hendrickson farm, Sec. 26, town of Higdem, Polk county. 2 tpd.

CLEAN SEED FLAX for sale.—Chris Solvik, R. 4, Box 14, Warren, Minn. 2tpd

WHITE RUSSIAN SEED OATS for sale at 50 cents a bushel, cleaned. See sample at the State Bank of Warren, Sec. 15 Twp. of Bristlet.—Ephraim Johnson. 4tpd.

GOOD HEAVY SEED OATS for sale.—Peter Fagerstrom, Radium, Minn. 4tpd.

HOUSE FOR SALE—Owing to my removal from the city, I offer my residence property for sale.—W. J. Brown.

DRESSED HOGS—Parties wanting dressed hogs, phone or write, E. Edman, Alvarado, Minn.

FOR SALE—One horse and clean wheat and barley for seed.—William Riebau, Radium, Minn. 2tpd

Three Registered Draft Stallions for Sale—Coming three, four and five years of age next spring, at reasonable prices. Also regenerated Swedish Select Seed Oats for 50c per bushel at the farm.—C. A. Tullar.

FOR SALE

A few choice, well-bred, Holstein bull calves.—P. Frost, Spaulding Farm Co.

If You Want to Buy a Farm

The Tullar farm is for sale, all together or in separate tracts. A bargain for someone.—C. A. Tullar.

The new Avery engine is on the floor at the Warren Machine & Iron Works Co., for demonstration purposes.

NORTHWEST OF WARREN

Members of the Swedish Lutheran Church of Vega are hauling lumber for a new barn to be erected at the church.

Oscar Dahlman, of Vega, is working for the Bystrom brothers.

A. P. Johnson, of Warrenton, died last Monday after a long illness. He has been confined to the bed all winter suffering from cancer. Deceased leaves a wife, three daughters and two sons to mourn his death. The community extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Aaron Johnson has been threshing timothy for Mike Luxenburg the past week.

John Hedlund and Chas. Westberg, of Vega, left last Tuesday for Minneapolis to see the tractors that they have purchased from Wm. Erickson of Warren.

August and Louis Ranstrom have bought an International tractor to do their farm work with.

Albin Ranstrom is working for Claus Clausen, of Middle River.

The young folks were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Swanson's last Friday evening. The time was spent in contests and games of various kinds. Everybody reports a good time and says they would be glad to come again.

John W. Johnson, of Warren, is visiting with his brothers in Warrenton and Vega.

Get a Van Brunt or Monitor Disc Drill and seeding will be a pleasure—Lundgren, Wittensten & Co.

Read the Want Ads.

Saturday's Trade Puller at Colson's Bazaar

149-25 cent cans, of Mennen's Talcum Powder-borated and violet, per can 10 cents. Limit 3 cans to a customer.

200 men's silk four-in-hand ties, Shield-tecks and club ties, your choice 10 cents

1 lot of men's and boy' Silk Shield bow ties at 10 cents

A new lot of ladies up-to-date neckwear at 10 cents

Watch our windows
Some new specials at Bargain Prices Every Week.

Colson's Bazaar
Warren, Minnesota

Town Election Ballots
Printed on Short Notice at the SHEAF OFFICE



ADVANCE SHOWING OF LADIES' AND MISSES' NEW SPRING COATS

NIFTY STYLES and the most up-to-date shades of Ladies' Man Tailored Coats.



LADIES!

Our line of Ladies' and Misses' new spring coats just arrived.

We cordially invite you to inspect this new line of the most up-to-date spring coats that has ever been shown to the ladies of Warren.

THE NEW STRAIGHT LINE MODEL COAT

with long pointed collar and long pointed revers. Come and see them, it will be a pleasure for us to show them to you.

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