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RUMORS OF NEW RAILROAD

FARMERS WANT RAILROAD BUILT FROM GRAND FORKS TO WARREN

Farmers southwest from here are interesting themselves in a new railroad to connect Warren and Grand Forks. Subscription lists are being circulated with a view of aiding in the construction of such a line by either the Soo or Great Northern Railway companies. It is quite possible that the proposed new road will be extended in a northeasterly direction from here, with Baudette or Warroad as its other terminus. Such a line would undoubtedly be a paying proposition as it would pass thru a fertile and well settled section and connect the wheat fields of the Red River valley and North Dakota with the heavy timber region of Rainy River. Push the new railroad.

DEATH OF A BEAUTIFUL CHILD

Evelyn Charlotte Ahaliba, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Nelson, of Boxville died on Saturday evening, Dec. 21, aged 19 months and 2 days.

Death was the result of a sad accident at the Nelson home, on Saturday afternoon. About five o'clock Mr. Nelson started to mend a milk pail and brought out his soldering tools and material, including a bottle of acid, which he placed on the edge of the table. While Mr. Nelson stepped into an adjoining room for a moment to clean the spot to be mended and unnoticed also by Mrs. Nelson, who was engaged in household duties looking away from the table, the little girl who was walking around on the floor, reached for the bottle and pulled the cork, drinking a quantity of its contents. Mrs. Nelson noticed immediately what had happened and steps were taken to administer an antidote and emetics. This not having the desired effect the frantic parents brought the little one to the Warren hospital, but all efforts there to save the little girl's life proved in vain and she died there in her mother's arms at ten o'clock in the evening.

To the stricken parents, who in this sad manner had the pet of their household taken away from them, the heartfelt sympathy of the community is extended. Like a precious bud plucked from under the snows of winter their little darling is not lost but simply transplanted to the heavenly shore, there to unfold and bloom in much greater beauty than had been possible here on earth.

The funeral was held on Monday afternoon, at one o'clock from the home and at two o'clock from the Swedish Lutheran church in this city where a fine funeral sermon, partly in English and partly in Swedish, was preached by Prof. A. W. Knock, of North Star College.

This lovely bud so young and fair Called hence by early doom, Just came to show how sweet a flower In Paradise could bloom. 'Ere sin could harm or sorrow fade Sweet Evelyn was to Heaven conveyed.

Barney Peterson, who this year will graduate from the civil engineering course at the Minnesota State University, is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Peterson, in this city.

Licenses to marry have been issued to Leonard C. Franzen and Ragna Blawd, Gust Wahlin and Gunelia Iversen, Gordon Bryan and Clara Swanberg, Paul W. F. Schulz and Clara L. Lenhart, Earnest Sifkow and Genevieve Sanders, Thomas Olson and Birget Soradal, Ole Larson and Olga Verne, Ole P. Olson and Anna P. Erickson, Harry S. Schlemme and Lucy S. Pries.

Jail Delivery Frustrated.
Greeley, Colo.—With one bar of a cell door sawed in two and ready to be moved and numerous saws and files among the prisoners, 14 men in the county jail had planned to murder the jailer and escape. The plot was discovered a few hours before the time set for the attempt. Thomas Burns, serving time for robbery, Edward Vaughn and Frank Lopez were the brains of the gang. The men had been at work three weeks perfecting the plans for escape.

I. MARK OSETH IS A LAWYER

I. Mark Oseth was appointed assistant state attorney of Burleigh county Tuesday by W. L. Smith. Mr. McCurdy, who was assistant to State's Attorney Smith, resigned when the law firm of Smith and McCurdy was dissolved.

Mr. Oseth took the bar examination at Fargo last week and was successful. For the past three or four years Mr. Oseth has been employed by members of the Supreme court of North Dakota. And the appointment to the office of assistant state's attorney came as a surprise to Mr. Oseth as he did not intend to practice until the first of next year. There will be some real court practice for the newly made lawyer as district court convened in Bismarck last Tuesday and there are many criminal cases to be prosecuted, in which Mr. Oseth will participate.

The Times wishes Mr. Oseth success in his career as a lawyer and knows that the people of the capital city will welcome and support him if he decides to locate in Bismarck.—Bismarck, N. D., Times.

The above shows how one Marshall county boy is making good in the world. Mark Oseth is a son of O. P. Oseth of Big Woods. He laid the foundation for his education in the Warren High School of which he is a graduate. Next he took a business course at the Warren Business School and then took up stenographic work. While employed in such capacity in the supreme court of North Dakota, he devoted his spare moments to the study of the law, with the result that he has been admitted to the bar and immediately after appointed to the responsible position of assistant state attorney. By his industry, energy and determination to succeed, he has accomplished these things. His folks and friends in general surely feel glad and proud of his success.

SOUTHERN OAK PARK

We can all tell Christmas is drawing near, as the weather is getting colder.

Miss Ida C. Bergman spent Saturday at Grand Forks.

Miss Hannah Hamerlund spent a few days last week visiting her sister. Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Connor spent Wednesday at the Hamerlund home.

Ralph Mackie returned to look after his farming interests after visiting his parents in Illinois.

Alma Walberg has come home to spend her Christmas. We hope she won't be lonesome—shouldn't think so.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamerlund spent one afternoon last week at the Hanson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanson and daughter Ruth visited with Mrs. Marit Leifstad. Johnnie Moden and Johnnie Bergman spent Sunday evening with Edwin Hanson.

A Xmas tree and program were held at the Hanson school Saturday evening, Dec. 21, 1912. A program was rendered by children, after which Mr. Santa Claus came in and distributed all the presents brought to the tree.

Miss Ruth Hanson, the teacher, received quite a number of beautiful presents from her pupils. She was also presented with \$5.00 from the trustees of said district.

Ralph tried to make us believe he was out hunting wolves last Sunday. He must have been caught in a trap somewhere, because he did not return before a rather late hour.

A HOUSE WARMING

Mr. Charles Wilen of Wanger township, who is now enjoying the pleasures and luxuries of a new \$2,000 home, was the recipient of several beautiful pieces of furniture last Saturday evening, the gift of his friends in Argyle and surrounding country, who congregated at the home and enjoyed his hospitality for a few hours. Mr. Wilen is held in high esteem by all who know him and it is the hope of his friends that he may enjoy many years of comfort and prosperity in the new home.—Banner.

This morning's flyer was derailed between Ada and Felton, all the cars leaving the track except a sleeper and the observation car. Fortunately not a single person was hurt. The engine continued running after being turned on its side, it is reported. No mail from the wrecked train arrived on the extra which came in at noon.

FATHER TIME

Model by C. A. Beaty. Words by Gene Morgan.



Well, here he is again—Pa Time! He's gray and bald, long past his prime, and on his shoulder you may see the same grass-cutting snicker-sneec. We snub him all the live-long year. His steady tread we do not hear; he's not forgotten, just misplaced, and feels himself quite gone to waste. As cold and bleak December dies a triumph grand before him lies. He knocks his hour-glass on the door, he enters and demands the floor.

"Once more," he starts, "I come to warn—" here some one blows a loud tin horn, a cowbell shakes, a shot rings out, a whistle blows, bass voices shout, but Father Time, with upraised claw at last subdues the riot to awe. "I come to warn you this new year must find you in your working gear, prepared to labor, grind and fight for what is best and what is right. My twelve months swiftly pass you by; how did you treat the last—O he? Your years are numbered, small the span, make each one serve the best you can. It is the rule of this concern that damaged goods we can't return."

The noise resumes and all is gay; poor Father Time just limps away, nor does he limber up his pace when dollar watches dare a race. Although we pity this poor guy, Time's changes we may not defy, and when he makes his yearly speech don't let your ears bend out of reach.

A RIVER'S WATER USED EIGHT TIMES

California Stream Diverted for Power, Irrigation, and Municipal Water Supply.

Power can be developed upon many surface streams and applied to the recovery of the water of the streams after it has sunk into the earth in the lower lands of the valleys. An instance of this character according to the United States Geological Survey is to be found along Santa Anna River in southern California. A part of the water of this river is stored in a reservoir in the San Bernardino Mountains and the flow of the stream is thereby regulated. After it escapes from the reservoir it is diverted thru a power plant and electric power is generated. Below this power plant it is rediverted and passed thru a second power plant. Below this it is all distributed and used for municipal purposes and irrigation about Redlands and Highlands. The waters that return from the irrigation are recovered in springs and flowing wells and by pumping plants, a portion of the power developed higher up on the stream being used for the pumping. This recovered water is used for irrigation about San Bernardino and Riverside.

A part of it reappears in the river above Riverside Narrows, where it is again taken out into a power ditch whose waters are returned to the river above Corona. A few miles below it is picked up by canals and distributed to the orange and deciduous groves about Anaheim and Santa Ana. The portion of it that returns there, by irrigation, to the ground water is once more recovered by the many pumping stations and flowing wells west of Santa Ana.

A single drop of water in its progress from the mountains to the sea, a distance of only 100 miles, may thus be used as many as eight times for power and irrigation.

WEDDING BELLS ARE RINGING

Knut Olson and Mary S. Boutwell, of Grygla, were united in marriage at the United Lutheran parsonage by Rev. N. G. W. Knudtsen on Dec. 19.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Iverson, in northern Vega, on Saturday, Dec. 21, at one o'clock, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Gunelia, to Gust Wahlin, also of Vega, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Carl Wahlin, the father of the groom, in the presence of the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties. After the ceremony an elaborate wedding feast was served by the bride's mother. Both bride and groom belong to prominent and highly respected pioneer families of the town. The bride is a highly esteemed young lady who has a large circle of friends, and the groom is an intelligent progressive and well-to-do young farmer, whose prospects in life are the very best. A host of friends extend congratulations.

The happy couple left same day on a wedding trip to various parts of this state.

Miss Ragna Blawd, daughter of Mrs. J. N. Blawd, of this city, was united in marriage on Dec. 20, to Mr. Leonard C. Franzen, of Strandquist. The bride is a highly esteemed Warren young lady. She is a graduate of the Warren High School, Class of 1910, and since her graduation she has been employed as a teacher in the rural schools of the county. The groom is a well-educated and highly respected young man, who follows the useful and noble occupation of tilling the soil. The happy young couple left after the ceremony on a wedding trip to Iowa and Illinois. A large number of friends extend congratulations and best wishes for a happy wedded life.

LAND EROSION STUPENDOUS

The surface of the United States is being removed at the rate of thirteen 1 inch in 760 years, according to the ten-thousandths of an inch a year, or United States Geological Survey. Though this amount seems trivial when spread over the surface of the country, it becomes stupendous when considered as a total, for over 270,000,000 tons of dissolved matter and 513,000,000 tons of suspended matter are transported to tidewater every year by the streams of the United States. This total of 783,000,000 tons represents more than 350,000,000 cubic yards of rock substance, or 610,000,000 cubic yards of surface soil. If this erosive action had been concentrated upon the Isthmus of Panama at the time of American occupation, it would have excavated the prism for an 85-foot level canal in about 73 days.

The amounts removed from different drainage basins show interesting comparisons. In respect to dissolved matter, the southern Pacific basin heads the list with 177 tons per square mile per year, the northern Atlantic basin being next with 130 tons. The rate for the Hudson Bay basin, 28 tons, is lowest; that for the Colorado and western Gulf of Mexico basins is somewhat higher. The denudation estimates for the southern Atlantic basin correspond very closely to those for the entire United States. The amounts are generally lowest for streams in the arid and semiarid regions, because large areas there contribute little or nothing to the run-off. The southern Pacific basin is an important exception to this general rule, presumably because of the extensive practice of irrigation in that area. The amounts are highest in regions of high rainfall, though usually the waters in those sections are not so highly mineralized as the waters of streams in arid regions.

(From Water-Supply Paper 234, United States Geological Survey.)

NORTH STAR COLLEGE NOTES

A Happy New Year we wish to all. May it have in store many rich blessings to all who are ready to receive.

Remember the opening date for the spring term, January 7, 1913. If it is possible try to have all work arranged on that date, so that no time after that must be lost. We want every day and hour to count.

The Art Department will take up work from the beginning of the term. To begin with only China Painting will be offered, and we hope that a strong class will be organized. See further notices about the work.

Prof. A. W. Knock conducted funeral services in the Swedish Lutheran church last Monday.

Miss Jennie Magnusson who teaches in the public schools in Minneapolis is spending her Christmas vacation with her sister Mrs. O. E. Abrahamson.

Three wagon loads of books and reading material were brought over to the college library on Saturday before Christmas. One load of this was donated to the college by Prof. Abrahamson; the other two had been stored in his house. We are anxious to receive further donations, big or little.

Prof. A. W. Knock is acting as a Christmas Missionary this year. He will visit a number of congregations during the holidays to conduct services. This is a partial list of the places he will visit: Alvarado, Bloomwood, Adams, Thief River Falls, Bronson, and several places in the eastern part of the county.

Mrs. O. E. Abrahamson will entertain the Ladies' Aid Society on Saturday afternoon of this week (Dec. 23). The Luther League will meet in the evening. Everybody is invited.

A Soo bridge has been promised us by Mr. Pennington who ought to have something to say when it concerns the Soo railroad.

Prof. O. E. Abrahamson has loaned his private collection to the college museum. There are a number of interesting things gathered from the West.

A three months' winter term begins on Tuesday, Jan. 7. A large number of new students will come to enroll for this.

A number of pictures are desired with which we would decorate the walls of the new building. Who can add to the list that we already have?

RURAL CARRIER EXAMINATIONS

At Newfolds and Warren, Minnesota, for Marshall County, Saturday, January 25, 1913.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an examination on the date and at the places named above, as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a vacancy in the position of rural carrier at Argyle, New Folds and Strandquist, and other vacancies as they may occur on rural routes at post offices in the above-named county, unless it is found to be in the interest of the service to fill the vacancy by reinstatement, transfer, or promotion. The usual entrance salary for rural carriers is from \$600 to \$1,000 per annum.

Age limit, 18 to 55, on the date of the examination. The maximum age limit is waived in cases of persons discharged from the United States military or naval service.

An applicant must have his actual domicile in the territory supplied by a post office in the county for which the examination is announced.

The examination is open to all male citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements.

Application Form 1341, and full information concerning the requirements of the examination, can be secured from the secretary of the local examining board or the postmaster at any of the places named above, or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Eligibles on registers established prior to March 1, 1912, can be considered for appointment only at the office for which they were examined. Such eligibles may be examined within one year from the date of their former examinations upon filing applications showing that they meet the requirements of the new examination, their old eligibility for their home offices not being canceled.

Applications should be properly executed and filed with the Commission at Washington. As examination papers are shipped direct from the Commission to the places of examination, it is necessary that applications be received in ample time to arrange for the examination desired at the place indicated by the applicant. The Commission will therefore arrange to examine any applicant whose application is received in time to permit the shipment of the necessary papers.

An eligible register for the position of rural letter carrier for each county will be maintained. A person must be examined in the county in which the post office that supplies his home is situated. As a result of such examination he may become eligible to appointment as rural carrier at any post office in such county. A rural letter carrier after one year's satisfactory service may be transferred to the position of clerk or carrier in a first or second class post office, to the position of railway mail clerk, or to other positions in the classified service, subject to such examination as may be required by the civil service rules.

John C. Black, President.

About this Time—

- Some men swear off for New Year's day, and some among the bills forget the "off" part of it.
- Some men wear suspenders which fair hands have decorated and thank heaven that tailors invented waistcoats.
- Some generous women are wondering why their husband's new smoking jacket smells like a singed boiled dinner.
- Some men are in the cellar fitting the gay bands of wife's holiday cigars laboriously upon surreptitious substitutes and meditating on the rubber industry.
- Some girls are wondering whether he gave her the ring this year, and whether he considers THAT a Christmas gift.
- Some neighbors are wishing that little Willie might wax in strength; he can't hit the head of the drum quite hard enough yet.
- Some little maids know more than they did about the internal anatomy of dolls and woolly lambs, and weep amid the sawdust.