

ENTHUSIASTIC TEMPERANCE GATHERINGS

A. C. RANKIN, ONCE AN IRON MOULDER, IS ADDRESSING LARGE MEETINGS AT OPERA HOUSE EVERY EVENING THIS WEEK, EXCEPT SATURDAY

The people of Warren are being stirred to the core on the liquor question by the earnest, forceful and able addresses of the venerable and well known temperance advocate, A. C. Rankin, who at one time was an iron moulder, but owing to his wonderful powers of oratory, keen intellect and overflowing sympathy for poor, suffering humanity, has been transferred from the foundry to the more subtle work of moulding the hearts, characters and lives of his fellow men. The meetings commenced Sunday afternoon, when Mr. Rankin addressed a large gathering of men at the opera house, and on Sunday evening the opera house was filled to overflowing with people who came to hear the eloquent speaker deliver his message against rum. At the close of this meeting 250 persons, men, women and children, signed the pledge. Another great meeting was held on Monday evening and another one on Tuesday evening. At each meeting Mr. Rankin delivered powerful addresses. By sound logic and convincing arguments he attacked the citadel of demon rum from all sides, leaving not one stone upon another behind which the friends of the saloon can hide as an excuse. It would seem that such a clarion call to arms against the greatest evil in this nation today, ought not to go unheeded, and the friends of temperance in the city pray and hope for good results from these meetings. However, they are not unmindful of the fact that all the wealth and power of the Brewers' Association and their hirelings are concentrated in this campaign on our little city, in order that the saloons may be retained. If the saloons are voted out of Warren this year, there will be no town between Crookston and St. Vincent, where whiskey can be bought, and that would be too awful a calamity in the eyes of the brewers. No money or efforts will be spared there to keep Warren wet. If the burning words of the white haired and eloquent old man, Mr. Rankin, can prevail against such a foe, it will be a wonder. The temperance people of the city hope and pray that the temperance cause may prevail.

POLICE SIGNAL LIGHT.

Considerable trouble has been experienced in the past by parties looking for the assistance of a police officer. Arrangements have been made to install a signal light at the city hall in connection with the telephone. At times when there is no one to answer the phone in the building this light is connected to an apparatus which will turn on the light when the telephone bell rings. Any policeman on the street will see this light and will immediately call up the telephone office to find out who has sent the call. The telephone number of the police department is 110 and parties who call this number are instructed to give the central office their own telephone number and name.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Mrs. Alfred A. Erickson, a pioneer woman of Marshall county, who with her family removed to Canada some years ago, died there Feb. 25. Obituary will be published next week.

Several families from Illinois and Iowa have arrived during the last few days. They are customers of the Pigeon Loan and Land Company and will locate on farms in the vicinity of Warren.

WARREN FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE SHIPPING ASSOCIATION.

The Board of Directors, elected February 28th, held their first meeting in the Warren High School building, Saturday, the 12th of March. The following farmers are on this board: J. W. Boyd, Geo. Copp, August Anderson, George Willey, Harrison Palmer, A. C. Knutson and H. Godel. J. W. Mapps was elected president of this board, and George Copp, vice president, and George Willey secretary and treasurer. A. C. Knutson and Harrison Palmer constitute the auditing board and Elmer Johnson was appointed for shipping agent.

The organization is now completed and stands ready to do business. Any farmer can belong to this organization who wants to abide by their rules and regulations. The Constitution and By-laws you will find printed in this issue of the Sheaf. All farmers in this vicinity who have live stock that they wish to ship will do well in affiliating themselves with the Warren Farmers' Co-operative Shipping Association. I think this is the best move that a farmer of this part of the country ever made and it is the duty of everybody to back this work up and boost for it. It will do good to us all. Let us help.

—O. N.

CHARTER MASS MEETING OPERA HOUSE

Saturday Evening, March 14th, at 8 o'clock.

Come and hear any point of the Charter that you may not understand, explained. Members of the Charter Commission will be glad to give all the information that they are in possession of.

MARSHALL COUNTY FAIR DATES SET

SEPT. 15, 16 AND 17 ARE THE DATES SELECTED FOR THE NEXT COUNTY FAIR

The Marshall County Fair for 1914 will be held on Sept. 15, 16 and 17, that much was decided at a meeting of the Board of Directors held yesterday. A race meeting will probably be held at same time.

THE MATRIMONIAL BUREAU

The Matrimonial Bureau play given by home talent last Friday and Saturday evenings furnished wholesome enjoyment to audiences both nights. The musical numbers are deserving of special mention. All who took part did well. The following is the cast of characters:

Cast of Characters.
Theodore Skinnem, proprietor of bureau R. E. Thomas
Major Bottles, book agent, Clarence Bakke
Jack Rabbit, office boy Elmer Boyd
Desire Dezay, who wants a wife from Philadelphia Ed. Nelson
Richard Softly, alias Mr. Easy Stephen Bren
Isabell Softly, alias Miss Adelpate Lucile Farrell
Robert Ross, ex-cowboy and millionaire Gill Lamberson
Mrs. Whiner, looking for a husband Miss Costello
Rosalie Gusher, secretary Esther McGillian
Annette Shaw, who has charge of bureau Mrs. English
Magnolia Flirtation, a sufragette Inga Taralseth
Estelline Sweet, editor of Loves' Herald Mrs. F. C. Wittensten
Fillicty Snappity, an old maid from Philadelphia Nellie Seign

Choruses and Specialties.
Boogie Boo Eileen Harris and Chorus
Hold Up Rag William Dixon and Chorus
Meet Me In The Shadows Hazel Edwards
Cutest Girl in Town Benedine Willy
That's How I Need You Agnes Johnson
English Rag Forrest Wadsworth
Apple Blossom Time in Normandy Mrs. Wittensten and Chorus
That Tango Tune Mr. Prytz and Chorus
Peg O' My Heart Mr. Myhre
Auto Duet Forrest Wadsworth and Esther McGillian
Solo Mr. Prytz
Solo Miss Tullar
Swedish Duet Mr. Prytz and Mr. Myhre

PIANO FUND ENTERTAINMENT!

On March 20th the last entertainment for the piano fund will be given in the form of a Japanese Operetta, "Princess Chrysanthemum," by the Warren High School Chorus.

This operetta is full of action from start to finish, clever argument and snappy choruses. The scenes and costumes are in true Japanese style. We are all putting forth our best efforts to make this one of the finest home talents ever produced.

Characters.
Princess Chrysanthemum, The Emperor's Daughter, Agnes Johnson
To-To Saxie Nelson
Yum-Yum Bernice Melgaard
Du-Du Lucile Lundquist
Tü-Lü Mikred Wood
Maidens attendant on the Princess.
Fairy Moonbeam, The Princess' Good Genius Agnes Hanson
The Emperor What-for-Whi, A Merciful (?) Monarch Lincoln Anderson
Prince So-Tru Russell Wilson
Prince So-Sil Magnus Pihstrom
In Love With Princess.
Top-not Chester Hanson
The Court Chamberlain.
Saucer Eyes Walter Anderson
The Wizard Cat.
Sprites of the Night, Fairies, Attendants, Populace, Etc.
Chorus of Sixty Voices.
Seats 35c, 25c and 15 cents.

WHAT THE FARMERS THINK.

"Enclosed please find list of names of farmers of Vega. If we farmers could have our way, the saloon would soon be a thing of the past. Hope you will succeed in getting a dry town."

Another writes: "Enclosed find list of some names of those who do not want to have saloons in Warren. Our town is almost unanimous in the belief that the saloon is a curse, and we hope that they will be voted out of Warren."

Northwest of Warren.

The following is a list of names of farmers from northwest of Warren who favor temperance, and who should like to see Warren without saloons:

Oscar Bystrom, Emil Pearson, Arthur Johnson, C. O. Dahlman, Oscar Johnson, John Abrahamson, Chas. R. Johnson, Alfred Johnson, Chas. J. Anderson, Eric Anderson, P. E. Anderson, David Johnson, Axel E. Boman, P. G. Nystrom, John Nystrom, Frank G. Johnson, Andrew P. Nilson, Emmet Roley, John Roley, William P. Engen, J. P. Goranson, Victor Cederlund, M. E. Cederlund, E. O. Bystrom, Edwin Ranstrom, Albin Ranstrom, C. E. Ranstrom, Emil Valsten, Nels Dahlman, Aug. Ranstrom S. F. Swanson, Louis Ranstrom, F. C. Hickman, Ernest Schuman, Charles Swanson, Henry Swanson, John L. Sandberg, C. J. Sandberg, Axel J. Lundquist, David Hedlund, Benhard Westberg, Leonard Westberg, Aaron Johnson, John L. Dahlquist, Chas. DeMerritt, Geo. W. Head, Edward Johnson, Chas. Abrahamson, Gust Wallin, Peter Iverson, M. A. Beckstrom, Henry J. Svedlund, John Forslund, Lars P. Halin, John F. Hedlund, Alfred Iverson, Emil Hill, Hawkin Iverson, O. L. Lindstrom, Alfred Beckstrom Theo. Erickson, Hans P. Halin, Wilhelm Erickson, Seth Eriksson, Henry Nystrom, Carl A. Johnson, Carl E. Westberg, C. W. Rodquist, Arthur Halldin, Ole A. Berg, Chas. Boman, Anton Pearson, And. W. Swanson, Emil Holmgren, S. L. Rodquist.

Southwest of Warren.

H. J. Beardmore, Henry Nelson, Peter K. Farstad, Annar O. Engen, Andrew Fererick, Axel P. Swanson, Andrew Farstad, Jno. Engen, H. Henrekson, Chas. Willey, George E. Willey, Henry E. Nyberg, Henry Peterson, J. H. Henriksson, Ole O. Lundin, H. H. Oberg, Elmer Johnson, Dudley Cheney, A. C. Knutson, Melville W. Larson, Fred Kurz, Geo. Copp, V. M. Johnson, Arthur Kurz, Robert Craine, V. Reiling.

East of Warren.

John Backlin, A. P. Bengtson, John W. Anderson, N. C. Anderson, Aug. Swanson, Ole K. Kvale, Peter Anderson, Jakob P. Jensen, John J. Anderson, Albert Anderson, Wm. C. Miller, Emil Dahl, Christ Olson, Carl Knutson, Louis Knutson, S. Knutson, Milo Warner, Ole Bodell, Arthur Bodell, E. Flod, P. E. Flod, Carl Grim, A. B. Brown, N. C. Johnson, W. H. Grange, John Wittman, Fred Horgen, Chas. Leibold, R. Peterson, M. W. Munger, James P. Trott, J. W. Mapps, J. O. Marshall, A. J. Hall, Ben Annis.

Northeast of Warren.

A. Bergstrom, Levi G. Johnson, Jacob Andson, Alfred Hagstrom, Morton F. Strador, Arthur Strador, H. K. Johnson, John Johnson, Oscar Mattson, John L. Johnson, John Wang, Aug. J. Tomalones, Oscar E. Olson, John Olson, S. Berg, And. Skoglund, Oscar Dahlin, O. L. Skonovd, C. J. Turnlund, Emil Dahlin, Victor Fagerstrom, John Carlsson, Carl G. Dahlin.

Southeast of Warren.

Ephraim Johnson, Otto Olson, Geo. Anderson, Christian Anderson, Willard Canam, A. E. Peterson, Andrew Stark, John Oberg, Ole Iverson, Will Stark, F. E. Nelson, S. Hanson, J. G. Engelstad, Melvin Engelstad, J. M. Boyd, Hugh Boyd, Louis Johnson, Conrad Hanson, H. K. Broadahl, Henry Godel, Frans Peterson, Simon E. Olson, Ole Pederson, Oscar Hauglid, E. L. Sande, H. L. Sande, Ole Gjerde, Gustaf Pettersen, Arthur Olson, Oscar Larson, O. A. Omdahl, C. R. Wood, C. R. Engelstad, O. W. Thomas, C. J. Erickson, G. E. Arhaug, B. E. Arhaug, Andrew Olson, A. J. Pederson, Christ Solvik, O. J. Carlson, John Engen, Martin Carlson, J. M. Olson, Lars Hoff, Arthur Wood, John P. Peterson.

COMMENTS ON CITY CHARTER

BY WELL KNOWN BUSINESS MEN AND CITIZENS OF THE CITY.

August A. Johnson: I think the proposed new charter should be adopted because it contains many features that are absolutely necessary, taking into consideration the growth of the city, and the change in conditions since the old charter was adopted.

While it may lack some provisions that some of us would like to have included, yet, it is a step forward. Let us be progressive.

R. B. Taralseth: The proposed new charter is a good one and we must have it if we are to progress as a city. We must have the necessary machinery with which to do the business of the city at the present time.

Julius J. Olson: I am heartily in favor of the adoption of the new charter and shall work for its adoption to the best of my ability.

Mayor Wittensten: The Charter Commission is unanimous in favoring the adoption of the new charter.

A. N. Eekstrom: I am in favor of the new charter. It is a good deal better than the old and its adoption will be for the best interests of the town.

Aug. Lundgren: My idea has been for years that the city ought to have a more up-to-date charter under which the business of the city can be more efficiently administered. I intend to support the new charter.

C. E. Lundquist: "I am heartily in favor of the proposed charter and it should pass. It doesn't, the city will be in practically the same position as any person would be who has to borrow money and can get no credit. The charter will reduce and equalize the taxes."

F. E. Colson: As far as I can see the proposed charter seems to be all right.

Lewis Westman: I have not yet read the proposed charter thru, but as far as I have read it, it is much better than the charter proposed last year. All I have read thus far I favor.

Judge Grindelund: I am for the new charter. I have full confidence in the commission that framed it and believe that it would be a calamity to the city not to adopt it.

A. C. Swandby: I hope that the charter will go thru. I think it is a fair and impartial measure.

Former Mayor A. B. Nelson: The proposed charter meets with my approval and I think we ought to pass it.

Dr. E. T. Frank: I have confidence in the men who framed the new charter and believe they have acted for the best interests of the city. The charter is a good thing and I shall vote for it.

CITIZENS' CAUCUS.

At the citizens' caucus last Thursday evening Aug. A. Johnson served as chairman and A. A. Harris as secretary. The following ticket was placed in the field for the Warren city election to be held March 17:

Mayor, Chas. Wittensten.
Trustees, L. Lamberson, R. B. Taralseth, Fred Johnson.
Recorder, G. O. Cross.
Constable, Oscar Pearson.
Justices of the Peace, Albin Young, W. O. Braggans.

SACRED CONCERT

By Warren Oratorio Chorus Monday, March 16.

The Warren Oratorio Chorus will render the Vision of St. John, one of the famous Sacred Oratorios at the opera house next Monday evening, March 16.

The Chorus now consisting of upwards of seventy-five voices began its work early last fall and has had regular weekly rehearsals ever since. There are a large number of good singers; and under the able leadership of Mr. Nels E. Bystrom, the chorus will render an excellent concert.

The Oratorio is somewhat similar to the selection that was rendered at the first concert last year. It is, however, a little more difficult. All who heard the concert last year, know that a rare musical treat is in store. Reserved seats at the N. S. Drug store.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Marshall County Pure Seed Growers' Association will hold their annual meeting on Saturday, the 14th of March 1914, in the High School building, Warren, Minn. Come and invite your friends to go along.

Program.
Music, Selected.
Vocal Solo, Selected.
The Seed Plot in Relation to Pure and Improved Seed, H. J. Beardmore.
Shall We Have an Exhibit at the State Fair, A. C. Tullar, W. C. Miller, C. L. Spaulding.
Shall Marshall County Have a County Agricultural Agent, L. Lamberson.
Election of Officers.

BIG TEMPERANCE PARADE MONDAY

There will be a parade of all the school children who will take part, on Monday, Mar. 16, at four o'clock, meeting at the city hall. This parade is to be a temperance demonstration and there will be banners, music, flags and floats.

All the young people are urgently requested in making this event a grand success.

A HUMAN LIFE WRECKED BY DRINK

Ole Hanson, a laboring man about 56 years old died at the Scandia Hotel on the east side last Saturday. He had been ill since the early part of December. Mr. Hanson was a plasterer and had been working at his trade in and around the city for a number of years. He was a genial man and a good workman, but his great failure was that he spent all his earnings in the saloons, thus undermining his mental and bodily health and making himself a human wreck. During the past month or two he has been cared for at the hotel at public expense. The life and premature death of Mr. Hanson is of itself a striking temperance lesson. As far as we know he had no relatives in this country, only some acquaintances, one being A. L. Rud, near Radium, who came from the same part in Norway. The funeral was held from the hotel this afternoon, Rev. Knudtsen officiating.

CIGARETTE LAW SHOULD BE ENFORCED

We often see young boys smoking cigarettes on the street. The smoking of these "coffin nails" is not only injurious to his health, but is against the law of the State. Sec. 3 of Chap. 580, Gen. Laws 1913, provides: "Any minor smoking cigarettes within the state shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than ten dollars and upon second conviction to be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than five days.—Warroad Pioneer.

BENEFIT FROM THE SALOONS.

It is maintained by many people that a city benefits by having saloons. They argue that taxes are lower and that business is better. The following facts and figures will show the state of affairs in Warren. In order to keep the four saloons in the city; running, it is estimated that a turnover of \$41,300 is required. This is made up as follows:

License	\$ 4,000.00
Rent at \$75 per month	3,600.00
Bartenders, 2 for each place	7,200.00
Light and water	500.00
Taxes	50.00
Fuel	300.00
Cost of living and profit	20,650.00
Beer, whiskey, etc.	20,650.00
	\$41,300.00

These figures, however, are only approximate; but it is believed that they are reasonable. If the estimate errs, it errs in being too low. The aim has been to give the saloon the benefit of the doubt in every case.

Now where does this \$41,300 come from? The saloons claim that most of their custom comes from the country. Suppose there are 800 drinkers in the country and 600 in the city and suppose there are 300 transients who drink. That makes a total of 1700 saloon patrons. It is doubtful if there be so many, but for the sake of argument take that figure.

Seventeen hundred customers will have to spend \$24.30 per capita to keep the four saloons going according to the above estimate.

We come now to the question, "What benefit does the city reap from the saloons?" It receives \$4,000 for license money. But what happens to that \$4,000? According to the Minnesota law, Chap. 248, 10 percent of license money must go to the maintenance of roads and bridges; 2 per cent goes to the State Inebriate Asylum at Willmar; an extra policeman is needed on account of the saloons and he can hardly receive less than \$50 a month. Then there are miscellaneous expenses which may be put at the low figure of \$20.

Maintenance of Roads and Bridges	\$ 400.00
Inebriate Asylum	80.00
One extra policeman	600.00
Miscellaneous	20.00
	\$1,100.00

Thus the highest possible sum the city can realize from the license money is \$2,900. It was shown that to keep the saloons going in Warren it requires \$41,300 or \$24.30 per capita. Assuming there are 600 drinkers in the city, they pay \$24.30 each to the saloons in order to get from the saloons \$2900 for the city treasury. Now if the same amount were to be raised by the 600 drinkers, assumed to be in the city, by direct taxation, it would only mean \$1.70 per capita. Which then is the more business-like method, for the taxpayer to pay \$24.30 to the saloon in order to get \$2900 from the saloon for the city funds or to pay \$1.70 in direct taxation to the city? Surely there cannot be any doubt in the mind of a reasonable man.

—Taxpayer.

TEMPERANCE WINS GREAT VICTORIES

ARGYLE, STEPHEN, HALLOCK AND KENNEDY REMAIN DRY.

Another great battle between the wet and dry forces took place in Tuesday's elections. Our sister towns to the north, Argyle and Stephen, did themselves proud by voting to keep out the saloons by overwhelming majorities. The vote in Argyle was 54 for and 103 against saloons. All the prominent business men of the town and all the churches united to fight the saloon. The Catholic priest was foremost in the fight against rum. At Stephen the vote stood 44 for to 77 against saloons, also a very decisive vote which shows how the people of Stephen feel towards the saloon.

Hallock went dry by 86 to 99. Kennedy remains dry and at St. Vincent all for no license.

The village of Fisher voted out the saloon by the decisive vote of 56 to 15. The town had two saloons the past year.

TOWN ELECTIONS.

McCrea.
Supervisor, John Backlin; Clerk, M. L. Warner; Treasurer, Alfred Horgen; Justices of Peace, Nels Johnson, Chas. Wittman; Constable, A. B. Brown.

Comstock.
Supervisor, Chas. Potucek and Wm. Schultz, tie; Clerk, John Allen; Treasurer, Wm. Potucek; Justices, L. J. Hill and Wm. Leslie; Constable, Albert Stroble.

Vega.
Supervisor, Carl E. Westberg; Clerk, Carl W. Westberg; Treasurer, Carl A. Johnson, Assessor, Axel Johnson; Justice of Peace, Carl Boman; Constable, Chas. Porten.

Warrenton.
Supervisor, Frank Cook; Clerk, John L. Dahlquist; Treasurer, Victor Cederlund; Assessor, Geo. Head; Justice of Peace, Joe Rymer; Constable, Hjalmer Peterson and Ed Johnson.

New Solum.
Supervisor, R. M. Nelson; Clerk, John Halvorson; Treasurer, Peter Sorenson; Assessor, F. O. Jarshaw; Justices of the Peace, John Sorenson, Ole Opseth; Constables, A. Gulseth and Thure Styrlund.

Oak Park.
Supervisor, Markus Hoggund; Chairman, Ole Bergman; Clerk, J. H. Wang; Treasurer, M. H. Linderoth; Assessor, Daniel Nordstrom; Justices of Peace, L. N. Smith, Anselm Nordstrom; Constable, Ole Elden.

Wright.
Supervisor, K. Hunstad; Chairman, Peter Gajeski; Clerk, John Gratzek; Treasurer, Charles A. Anderson; Justice of Peace, Robert Setherholm; Constable, Albert D. Jabes.

Wanger.
Supervisor, Olaf Hvidsten, 3 yrs.; Clerk, Charles Wilen; Treasurer, John Gostanek; Assessor, E. S. Mack, (held over); Justice of Peace, Carl Steffen; Constable F. Stone.

Bloomer.
Supervisor, Albin Johnson; Clerk, Chas. N. Dundas; Treasurer, Fridolf Dahlin; Assessor, Herman Dahlin; Justice of Peace, H. C. Aure; Constable, Alf Lindberg.

A. D. Vansickle received today the beautiful silk banner which he was awarded at the Crookston Farm Crop Show as the Grand Champion prize for the largest number of sweepstakes premiums won by Marshall county.

MARSHALL COUNTY AND STATE ACRE CORN GROWING CONTEST.

Thirty-six boys have signed up for this contest already and we expect to have many times that number. Home grown seed corn will be sent, enough to seed one acre, to boys who apply early. Apply to Ole Neraal, Warren, Minn.

Who May Enter the Contest

Any boy over 10 years of age and under 18, living in Marshall county, can take part in this contest. There is no entry fee. It is only necessary to sign the agreement to abide by the rules of the contest, and to carry out as far as possible the instructions sent out.

Agreement.
I desire to enter the Marshall County and State Acre Corn Growing Contest. I agree to abide by the rules of the contest, to study all instructions sent out, and to send in the reports promptly when they are called for.

Name
Age
Date of birthday
Address
Section Twp.
Range

The rules will be sent out to all who apply, also bulletins and literature on how to best grow corn. Get into the game and learn how to grow this important crop. Boys' clubs will be organized where that is possible. Send in your name early.