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## COMMERCIAL CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

### C. E. LUNDQUIST RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT AT LARGELY AT- TENDED MEETING HELD AT THE CLUB ROOMS LAST NIGHT

The annual meeting of the Warren Commercial Club was held at the club rooms in the Taralseth block last evening. President C. E. Lundquist presided. Encouraging reports from the secretary and treasurer reviewing the past year's activities were read and considered. Ed Quistgard of the committee on membership reported about 100 paid up members. R. C. Mathwig of the committee on publicity reported on what said committee had done or failed to do during the year. He complimented the local newspapers for their valued efforts to boost this section of the state. He took a shot at the State Board of Emigration for the very inadequate mention given to Marshall county in the pamphlet "Northern Minnesota", recently published by said board. Mr. Mathwig pleaded for greater efficiency along publicity lines. A. E. Pfflner, of Argyle, one of the directors of the Red River Valley Development Association, was present and asked the club to assist in raising Marshall county's quota for carrying on the work of said association. The club decided to hold its annual banquet in the near future and empowered the president to appoint a committee to make the necessary arrangements. The committee appointed last summer to assist North Star College in the work of soliciting funds reported progress and was retained to continue the work. President Abrahamson of the college, spoke encouragingly of the progress of the school and Dr. J. Telleen, field secretary of the institution, made an enthusiastic address in which he pointed out the great benefits that the people of this section of the state and the whole Northwest will derive from this college.

Next followed election of officers for the ensuing year. C. E. Lundquist was re-elected president by acclamation. W. F. Powell was unanimously re-elected vice president. O. H. Taralseth, who has been the efficient secretary of the club during the past four years, declined a re-election and Aug. A. Johnson was chosen as his successor. C. A. Nelson was re-elected treasurer by a unanimous vote. The president was authorized to name the usual standing committees.

## UNJUST PENALTIES ON DELINQUENT TAXES

As county treasurer of Norman county for the past six years I have become familiar with the present system of taxation with penalties and interest applied to delinquents and hereby appeal to our Legislature and the people of the State for a change. Under the present system all taxes become due on first Monday in January of each year. By paying one-half on or before June 1st, and the other one-half on or before Nov. 1st you avoid all penalties. If the one-half is not paid on or before June 1st a 10 per cent penalty on the whole amount is added. On the second half if not paid on or before Nov. 1st, a 10 per cent penalty is also added and, if not paid on or before the first Monday in January, of the following year an additional penalty of five per cent is added. After that time a mortgagee can pay the taxes and on top of the penalties already accumulated the owner of the land must pay one per cent per month interest. If sold for taxes the certificate draws 12 per cent annual interest while experience shows us that all lands upon which taxes have become delinquent would sell just as readily if the tax certificate drew but eight per cent. Under the present system a larger amount is paid in on June 1st and Nov. 1st than is necessary to keep the county finances in good condition and it is often a great hardship on the farmer to pay on these dates and we also believe the penalty is beyond reason and entirely uncalled for.

I believe the time has come when a change in the system is necessary and that a change should be made by the present legislature. I believe that one per cent per month on delinquent taxes is sufficient and that if paid by mortgagees eight per cent interest is sufficient and that upon sale of lands for taxes the certificate should draw but eight per cent interest and that the law should be so amended.

A. C. Tvedt,  
Goodridge, Minnesota.  
Northern Minnesota papers please copy.

Notice! The St. Olof Concert will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening, Feb. 11th.

## NORTH STAR COLLEGE NOTES

A. C. Holmquist of Lancaster, a delegate to the church meeting last week, held a very interesting talk to the Penmanship class on Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. D. A. Leonard of Warroad, donated a number of valuable books and pamphlets last week; we express hearty thanks.

The Red River Mission District held its annual business meeting in the college chapel on Wednesday of last week. All members attended the chapel exercises on that day which were held at 9 o'clock. After some very interesting remarks by the pastors of the district, the business session commenced at 10 o'clock and was continued at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Many of the delegates had never seen the college before and were very agreeably surprised at the fine building.

Rev. Kr. Rosenthal of Kennedy, spoke to the students at chapel last Thursday morning.

The Literary society rendered an interesting program at chapel last Saturday evening.

Irene Olson and Esther Lundgren have enrolled in the Penmanship evening classes.

Miss Anna Ovshak enrolled for vocal lessons last week.

Professor D. A. Leonard of Warroad will lecture at the Swedish Lutheran church on Thursday evening of this week upon the invitation of the Ladies' Home and Foreign Missionary Society. On Friday morning Professor Leonard has promised to speak to the students at the chapel hour; friends are invited to attend.

The Messiah Chorus had a splendid rehearsal on Monday evening of this week. Let all the old members and many new ones be in attendance next Monday evening. It is the intention to render a good part of the Messiah at a grand concert to be given sometime during Easter week.

We have had calls for students to hold Swedish Parochial school during the summer. This year we can send out several students who will be able to take up such work successfully.

Miss Elizabeth Rosenthal, a graduate of the Academic department, is teaching school east of Kennedy.

Miss Judith Porten visited at her home near Alvarado over Sunday and Monday.

Miss Kurz from Oklahoma was taken through the college building by her sister, one of our last year graduates, last week.

Martin Nelson spent Sunday and Monday at his home near Alvarado.

The Warren Ministerial Ass'n held its February meeting at the College on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Bertha Vog is again present at school after having been absent on account of a sprained ankle.

Dr. J. Telleen who arrived in Warren on Monday, addressed the students at chapel on Tuesday.

Lundgren & Wittensten Co., and the Warren Machine and Iron Works Co., have donated 100 lead-pencils each to be distributed among the students and teachers at College.

Dates for the Swedish and English declamatory contest will be announced in the near future.

The faculty is beginning to lay plans for the Commencement Week programs. This year we will have an especially full commencement week program, since the annual meeting of the Red River District Luther League will be held in Warren during commencement week. We therefore expect to see a large number of visitors in Warren on May 22-25. Several very prominent speakers will be obtained for the programs. Look for further announcements.

Marshall Kays of Warren, and John W. Arness of Fork, have enrolled for work in the Commercial department for the remainder of the school year.

Forty members are now enrolled in the English Bible class that meets on Sunday mornings at 9:30 at the Swedish Lutheran church. At the last meeting an attendance contest was started. The class was divided into two groups, the girls constituting one, and the boys the other. The losing side will entertain the whole class on some date near Easter.

## SOME LUTE-FISH

### Minot Tries to Outdo Warren By Its Men's Lute-fish Supper.

Minot, N. D., Feb. 1—The lute-fish supper at the basement of the Zion Lutheran church was attended by more than 600 people. Men waiters, wearing white coats, served the multitudes and there was more than the loaves and fishes.

Seven immense tubs of lutefish were served, 700 pounds in all, and it was cooked to perfection. Other dishes, cooked in inimitable style, were also served. The tables looked unusually pretty, decorated with immense roses.

Valentines at all prices will be for sale at Sheaf office.

## MARSHALL COUNTY FAIR DIRECTORS

The name of W. C. Miller was inadvertently omitted from the list of directors of the Marshall County Fair Association published in our last week's issue. As Mr. Miller is one of the most enthusiastic boosters of the county fair we regret the omission and gladly make the correction. The names of the directors of the Fair Association are as follows: W. C. Miller, R. C. Mathwig, John A. Grindelund, Fritz Larson, Ed Rosen-dahl, A. B. Nelson, C. A. Nelson, W. H. Dixon, R. B. Taralseth, August A. Johnson and Dr. E. T. Frank.

## ADDITIONAL LOCALS

### Big Overcoat Sale at the Peoples Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McGregor left on Monday evening for Rothsay for a visit with friends.

R. C. Mathwig left Tuesday on a business trip to the twin cities. While there he will attend the big auto show in the Flour City.

B. C. Lane returned Friday to his home at Henrietta after a few days' visit looking after his farming interests in this vicinity.

Charles Johnson and Nels Anderson, two energetic and progressive young farmers from Newfolden, were Warren visitors last week.

F. E. Colson says that his nine-cent sale last Saturday broke the record of all former sales days of the bazaar not excepting the big Christmas sale.

Mrs. J. R. Naeseth returned Saturday from an extended visit with relatives in Minneapolis and at other points in the southern part of the state.

Rolph Powell left Saturday for a visit at Superior, Wisconsin, and Denver, Colorado. He will later attend the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco.

Sam Powell raised 139 bushels of corn to the acre at a cost of eleven cents per bushel. Read about it in "The Boy Farmer" a story for boys to be published in the Sheaf soon.

The Million Dollar Mystery is drawing big crowds at the Dreamland. Read the story in the Sheaf and then go and see it presented in dramatic form in motion pictures.

By an oversight the name of Christ Hjelle, Phone 169, was omitted from the new telephone directory just issued by the Warren Telephone Co. Telephone owners will please insert Mr. Hjelle's name and number in the directories just received.

H. M. Nelson, an Alvarado boy, who is serving as a marine on the U. S. S. West Virginia, has ordered his Sheaf changed from the U. S. navy yard at Bremerton, Wash., to San Francisco, Cal. He states in his letter that he will soon be in Warren.

On Thursday of last week Munger & Son, of Warren, breeders and shippers of the famous O. I. C. swine, sold a bred sow to a farmer at Buffalo Lake, Minn., for \$75. This is a big price and it also shows that farmers from all parts of this and adjoining states come to Warren when they want the very best animals for breeding purposes.

Mrs. C. E. Stinchfield has received a letter from her brother, James Frank, of Lamoure, N. D., in which the latter tells of a visit of himself and wife to his and Mrs. Stinchfield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Frank, pioneer residents of Warren, now living at Longmont, Col. The old settlers of Warren will be pleased to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Frank are enjoying good health and passing their declining days in peace and contentment.

The following persons have our thanks for subscriptions handed in at the office: John Stalock, Argyle; O. M. Lodoen, Westhope, N. D.; John Price, Stephen; Chas. H. Johnson, Newfolden; James H. Leetch, Warren route 1; Aug. Swanson, Radium; Ole Torgerson, Warren, R. 4; John Anderson, Viking; Claus Peterson, Argyle, R. 1; Osear Forstrom, Argyle, R. 1; C. E. Stinchfield, Warren; J. A. Floberg, Foldal; G. E. Lamberson, Lake View Farm, Warren; Knute Nelson, Middle River; O. O. Carlson, Strandquist; Rev. C. G. Gronberg, Strandquist; Dan Henneby, Warren; John Stromquist, Warren; Olof Malm, Radium; A. Borquist, Warren R. 2; L. Giesing, Warren R. 2; Ed Rosen-dahl, Warren; Nels Anderson, Angus; A. B. Carlson, R. 2; Edward Teske, Radium; J. P. Lein, Warren; A. L. Rud, Radium; Martin Forsberg, Viking; Nick Bergman, Oslo.

## The Boy Farmer.

This is the title of a story that will be printed in the Sheaf soon and is of special interest to the boys of Marshall county. The girls too, are interested in what the boys do and they will surely read the story.

## ANNUAL GRAIN SHOW AT STEPHEN

The village of Stephen will hold its third annual grain show on February 5th and 6th, and an excellent program has been prepared for the occasion. C. O. Carlson, of Erskine, one of the best dairymen of northern Minnesota will speak on dairying and stock raising; L. H. Bugbee from Carleton, will discuss corn, potatoes and other farm crops; R. E. Olmstead of Excelsior will speak on fruit growing, and S. E. Brown, the poultry expert of Crookston Experiment station, will handle poultry raising.

Every farmer in the northern part of the county and as many from other localities as possible should make it a point to attend this two-day farmers' institute.

## RESOLUTION FOR CLOSING SALOONS

### Adopted by the Big Woods, Fork and Oak Park Congregations and by Two School House Meetings Recently Held Near Oslo.

Whereas, the saloon is the avowed enemy of the church, morality, religion and education, the destroyer of the home and the defier of God, therefore, be it resolved that we bring sufficient influence to bear by petition and otherwise, to close the saloons in Oslo; and we hereby call upon all liberty loving citizens to use their utmost endeavor to secure a sufficient number of signatures to produce the desired result, and we hereby pledge ourselves to an earnest aid in said effort both by influence and in deed.

This resolution was unanimously adopted by the Big Woods, Fork and Oak Park congregations, and also by two school house meetings in the vicinity of Oslo.

## GEO. JOHNSON HEADS T. R. FALLS COMMERCIAL CLUB

The Thief River Falls Commercial Club has elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President, Geo. Johnson; first vice president, M. C. Cutter; second vice president, John Wold; treasurer, A. J. Anderson; C. W. McDaniels, H. O. Loken, Henry Dahlen, C. W. Ackerman and J. B. Connor, directors.

## ANOTHER OLD SETTLER GONE.

Jons Paulson, one of the early settlers of town of Augsburg, in the northern part of the county, died on Friday morning, Jan. 29, 1915, at an advanced age. Deceased emigrated with his family from Sweden in 1882, coming direct to Marshall county. They lived for a short time in Warren after which they moved onto a homestead in town of Augsburg, which has since been the home of the family. The wife died many years ago, in fact shortly after they moved onto the farm, and some of the children have also passed away.

Mr. Paulson was a good, honest man, and sincere Christian. He was a miller in the Swedish Lutheran congregation where he lived and was noted for his piety and active work for the church.

He was honored, respected and loved by everybody in the community and his memory will live long in the hearts of all who knew him. His funeral was held on Sunday last and was largely attended by neighbors and friends. A son, who has been on the Pacific coast, arrived home in time to see his father before his eyes were closed in the long sleep. The sympathy of the community is extended to those who mourn. Peace to the ashes of the good old man!

## Boys! Boys!

Here is something that will interest you. The Sheaf has secured the exclusive right to publish "The Boy Farmer," the first chapter of which will appear in the paper soon. Look for it.

A plucky wide-awake, hustling American boy takes a worn-out and abandoned farm and gets busy with his head and his hands to renew the fertility of the soil, makes a scientific farmer of himself and captures prizes as a member of the Boys' Corn Club. What he did and how he did it form the plot of an up-to-date romance of real life, that holds the interest from the first chapter to the last. This is good reading for girls also, as there is a great deal in that kind of a boy that appeals to them. If the Sheaf is not a weekly visitor in your home, don't delay sending in your dollar for a year's subscription and get this story besides other good reading matter during the year.

The Stephen Basket Ball team was in the city Friday between trains en route to Thief River Falls where they played the high school quint of that city. They won by a score of 26 to 25. On Saturday evening they played the Crookston Aggies and were defeated by a score of 45 to 14.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS

The Marshall county buck-board meets Feb. 9th.

A Marshall County teachers' and school officers' convention will be held at Warren on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 25 and 26. County Superintendent David Johnson is arranging for a good program and a large attendance is desired. Hon. C. G. Schultz, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, is expected to be present. On Thursday evening the visitors will be given a banquet by the Warren Commercial Club.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following couples: Joseph Rapacz and Maggie Pawloski; Armand Joseph Riopelle and Marie Ann Landreville, Arthur Grandstrand and Elizabeth Schlaegel, Stephen Romenski and Helen Price, Gotfred E. Olson and Marie Anderson, Gilbert O. Johnson and Clara A. Johnson, Theodore Rorer and Marie Hjelle.

County Attorney A. N. Eckstrom left Tuesday for Thief River Falls and Grygla where he will attend to legal matters.

County Auditor A. G. Lundgren left Tuesday for St. Paul, where he will attend to business matters for the county.

## OLD PIONEER PASSED AWAY.

On Wednesday, January 27, at Pasadena, California, where he had gone for his health, occurred the death of Frank H. Kratka, pioneer resident of Thief River Falls, once president of the village council, twice mayor of the city, and for seven years postmaster. His death was due to a combination of Bright's disease and dropsy, with which he had been bothered for some time, and the announcement was, in a way, expected by his many friends, as his advanced age and condition were well known.

## APPRECIATES THE SHEAF

The Sheaf has lately received a number of letters written in a friendly and appreciative spirit, also enclosing remittances for subscription. We assure the senders that such kind letters have encouraged us greatly in our work and will spur us to still greater efforts in publishing a live, newsy, helpful and up-to-date paper. We publish below a few extracts from the letters received:

Mr. John Dahl, a good friend of the paper and well known Marshall county pioneer, now living in Chicago, writes under date of Jan. 1, as follows:

"As the year 1914 has passed away and you have made your regular visits to me, I wish to express my gratitude to you for all news and information I have had through your paper. Wishing you to continue your visits during the coming year, I enclose one dollar. I wish you and your family a happy and prosperous new year."

Andrew G. Sathre writes as follows from Great Falls, Mont.: "Inclosed find one dollar for the Sheaf. For it would be the same as losing a member of the family if the Sheaf did not make its weekly appearance. Wishing yourself and the Sheaf a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain, A Warren boy, etc."

Margaret Minnegan, of DeKalb, Ill., writes: Please send me your paper for another year. I feel lost now if I did not get it.

Our good friend John Gratzek, proprietor of the Royal Farm, near Strandquist, this county, writes: Enclosed please find check for three dollars to change the label on my paper. Thanks, Mr. G.

Peter Carlson of Esplee writes: I am here enclosing a money order for \$1.00. Please renew my subscription for one year.

## Warren Lecture Course.

The last number on the Warren Lecture Course will be an evening of magic and illusions by James Morrison Totten who has received a large number of recommendations from places where he has appeared. Following are some sentences gathered from a number of recommendations: "One of the best attractions we had on our lecture course." "The magic was the best ever seen." "And the evening was altogether too short." "He is a most clever magician." "He is one of the most popular numbers on the course." "Mr. Totten is one of the most appreciated entertainers on the course." "He will be asked to give a later date." Remember the Warren date—February 23.

## CROOKSTON BUSINESS MAN FOUND NOT GUILTY

Charles Tiley, of Farley township, returned yesterday morning from Crookston, where he sat as a juror in the famous case of the State of Minnesota vs. Fred Simmons, in which the defendant was charged with being implicated in the burning of the Grand Opera House several months ago. The case grew out of charges that at the instance of Simmons, who is the proprietor of the Lyric Theatre in Crookston, a young man by the name of Alex LaPlant set fire to the Grand Opera House, badly damaging the interior of said play house. When arrested for the offense, LaPlant made an alleged confession, admitting that he did the job, and also accused Simmons of complicity in the efforts to put the opera house out of business. Substantially the self-confessed firebug stated that Simmons engaged him to set fire to the building, agreeing to pay him a certain amount for doing the work. Simmons was promptly arrested and charged with arson in the third degree, but from the start he emphatically denied any connection whatever with the offense committed by LaPlant.

The first trial of the case came on in the district court at Crookston last June, when Judge Grindelund presided in the place of Watts. The jury failed to agree and was discharged. The second trial began on Tuesday, last week, with Judge Stanton in the chair, and continued until Saturday. This jury returned a verdict of not guilty, thus exonerating Mr. Simmons of the wicked charge.

## WHEAT PASSES \$1.53 IN MINNEAPOLIS YESTERDAY

### All High Marks Since 1898 are Broken When Prices Go Skyrocketing

In a market which has not been paralleled since the Leiter "corner" of 1898, Minneapolis May wheat went to \$1.53 5-8 today. In Chicago, where the rise was even greater, May wheat which had closed yesterday at \$1.56 1-4, sold up to \$1.65 and closed strong at the high point.

The Minneapolis advance since yesterday was 5 3-8 cents. The Chicago advance since yesterday was 8 3-4 cents. But the advances followed other advances of yesterday and days preceding, during which period there has at no time been a setback of any consequence.

The Leiter corner of 1895 sent wheat to \$1.85. The Patten corner of 1909 sent it to \$1.60 in Chicago. Today's advance in May wheat and all advances preceding it were reflected in all other options.—Minneapolis Journal.

## EAST RIVERSIDE FARM DOES BIG BUSINESS IN DUROCS

Ed Rosendahl of the East Riverside Farm, shipped last week three fine bred Duroc gilts, two of them to Hallock and one to North Dakota, and a male hog to South Dakota. He received yesterday from L. H. Murray, of Deer Creek, Minn., a nice bred gilt that was sired by Crimson Boy #11,733 and won the first prize, a large silver trophy, at the Minnesota State Fair in 1913. With this fine blood added to his already choice Durocs, this famous breed of hogs will be still further improved. The sire of Crimson Boy was Van's Crimson #102,553, one of the greatest, if not the greatest breeding boar in the Northwest, and has sired more winners at state fairs than any other hog living.

## HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Mr. Mitchell read a very interesting story during assembly period Friday.

The nice weather we had Monday seemed to have some effect on the pupils.

The Freshmen and the eighth graders are practicing almost every evening for the play which is to be given in the near future.

The Freshmen had their party last Friday evening in the High School building. After playing games, refreshments were served, then they departed for their respective homes, all reported a very good time.

The Physics classes are very much interested in experiments concerning electricity.

A few of the Junior girls have frequently enjoyed sleigh riding.

The report cards were given out Wednesday noon.

Several of the pupils dropped Botany to take up Physiology.

The Physiography class had their first test Friday.

Mrs. E. M. Mitchell visited Physics class Friday afternoon.

The pupils taking Farm Management find Laboratory morning very interesting.

The Basket Ball team of Warren, left for Thief River Falls Tuesday evening to play another game with their boys.