

SHORT NEWS ITEMS.

A regular term of municipal court is scheduled for Jan. 6.

The annual meeting of the Wausau Cemetery association will be held Thursday.

Dr. Turbin, the eminent German specialist and surgeon, will be at the Bellis House, January 16.

Both railroad companies entering Wausau will suspend freight operations tomorrow and on New Year's day. Freight offices will be closed.

Rev. T. B. T. Fisher, pastor of the Universalist church of this city, addressed the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday afternoon.

If you are in need of shingles call and see our large assortment and get prices before buying elsewhere.

W. BARKER & STEWART LUMBER CO.

Mrs. Frank Ross, who has been ill for some time, is reported to be in a very precarious condition at present. Out of town relatives have been summoned here.

The county board will be in session commencing Jan. 8th. At that time salaries for the county officers will be fixed for the coming year and other important matters will be considered.

For your breakfast these cold mornings there is nothing finer than buckwheat cakes, if made from pure Old Style Buckwheat flour.

NORTHERN MILLING CO.

The Curtis & Yale factories closed down Saturday, as is customary at this season of the year, for the purpose of taking an inventory of stock. They will resume business after the first of the year.

Goodwill Bros.' plant is closed down for two weeks, during which time repairs will be made and an inventory of stock will be taken. The company expects to resume operations about a week after Jan. 1st.

Yesterday morning there was a steady stream of people going into the First National and National German American banks, after the beautiful calendars given out by each. Everybody on the streets was seen carrying a calendar home.

Max Cohen, proprietor of the Fair store, lost a \$25 overcoat Saturday night. The overcoat was placed outside on a dummy as a display and the thief carried dummy, overcoat and all to the alley in the rear of the store, where the dummy was afterward found.

The Wausau Canning Co. has elected officers and directors as follows: President, P. O. Means; vice-president and treasurer, H. G. Flieth; secretary, F. P. Stone; manager, Geo. B. Chatham; directors, P. O. Means, F. P. Stone, E. A. Gooding, Geo. B. Chatham, H. G. Flieth.

The police and fire commissioners held a meeting yesterday afternoon in Kretlow & Lamont's office for the purpose of an investigation of a fist fight which recently occurred in a saloon, in which one of the city's firemen was engaged. No testimony was taken and it was decided to postpone the matter until after Christmas. It is quite likely that a trial will be had.

The large paper mill at Oconto Falls, known as the Falls Manufacturing company's plant, was destroyed by fire Sunday. Loss \$100,000. The origin of the fire is not known. It is said Wausau parties were financially interested in the concern. C. W. Carlson, who formerly lived in Wausau and carried mail on one of the city routes, is bookkeeper for the concern.

The identity of the fellow who burglarized Bart Arendse's saloon a few nights ago was learned shortly after. He is a young man who has already served a term in the state prison for burglary, and it seems, would like to go back there again. His father made a settlement by paying the proprietor the amount of cash taken, also for the glass broken and a bill the young man was owing at the bar.

FOR RENT—Upstairs, suitable, for small family. Enquire at 704 Scott street.

W. W. Albers was confined to his home with a severe case of the grip, on Wednesday.

The Y. M. C. A. basketball team will play the Antigo team in the latter city on next Friday evening.

It is reported that the dog poisoner is at work again and that several dogs have passed to the kingdom of rest.

Mrs. Hugh Hadley, of Oak Park, Ill., daughter of Judge Silverthorn, has been quite ill the past week with pneumonia.

The county officials were paid today. Pay day was not due till the last of the month, but it was hastened on account of Christmas.

A great many men working in the woods have come home for Christmas and mackinaw jackets and "stag" overalls are quite plentiful on the streets.

L. D. Goldberg, who conducted a sales stable at the corner of Fifth and Jackson streets for a number of years, has closed up his business and moved to Chicago.

Wm. Norman, manager of the Y. M. C. A. basketball team, has received a challenge from the Birnamwood team for a game to be played on Jan. 17. He will probably accept the same.

The second of the series of dancing parties, given by the Wausau B. P. O. Elks, took place at Elks' hall on Friday evening. As usual it was a success in point of attendance and sociability.

The county asylum officials yesterday secured a large wagon load of empty pastboard boxes from merchants, and people on the streets who saw the curious load, wondered what use was to be made of them. Inquiry revealed the fact that the asylum superintendent and matron are planning to give each one of the inmates a present tomorrow morning. This custom has been followed yearly since the asylum was built and always lends cheer to the unfortunate who make their home there.

Jim Snowball, who resides on Bill Boyce's homestead in the town of Kronenwetter, came to the city today with a wild cat pelt and collected bounty on the same. Snowball, like Boyce, is quite an intelligent Indian, although he had to make an X when signing his name to the county order. He reports the Indian colony in that section to be in a flourishing condition. A few weeks ago Snowball sold a large quantity of ginseng to a buyer in this city and realized a nice bunch of money on the sale.

William Dittman of the town of Mosinee and Chas. Beaudreau of the town of Emmet came to the city Saturday and secured licenses to wed. The former was accompanied by Gertrude Beaudreau, a sister of the latter, and Laura Edwards came along with Beaudreau to see that there should be no hitch in the marriage of herself to him. Both young ladies reside in the town of Emmet. After securing their licenses they visited the municipal court and each couple secured a special dispensation. They then called upon County Judge Henry Miller and lining them up he tied a knot for each. They then boarded a train for Fond du Lac to spend their honeymoon.

Wm. Allerlei, a resident of Johnson's addition, was arrested Saturday for violating the fish and game laws. Deputy Game Warden John Foster took a stroll down to the Eau Claire river that afternoon and saw a tent on the ice. Upon entering the tent he found Allerlei seated over a hole in the ice with spear in hand watching for fish. He also had several set lines and snares in operation. Mr. Foster confiscated the whole outfit, together with several fish he had caught and brought Allerlei up town. He appeared before Justice R. N. Larnier and paid a fine and costs amounting to \$18.85. Mr. Foster has visited that section several times and warned fishermen not to use spears or any other device, contrary to law. They have not heeded the warning and he proposes to watch them closer hereafter.

YULE NOTES.

The PILOT extends to all its readers the wish that they may enjoy a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

The Baptist, M. E., Presbyterian, Universalist, St. Stephen's, St. Paul's, Zion's, the Scandinavian and in fact nearly every church in the city, will have Christmas trees tonight for the children. In many of them an imitation or "near" Santa Claus will appear and distribute sweets among the children. In most of the English churches there will be musical programs carried out and it will be the night of all nights for the young generation. In the Catholic churches there will be nothing out of the ordinary transpiring, but among the German churches Christmas is one of the great religious holidays of the year. Tomorrow there will be services in nearly every one and again on Thursday or "second" Christmas day. On these days sermons relative to the birth of the Savior are usually preached and there is a larger attendance than ordinarily.

At the county asylum a dance will be given this evening for the inmates, who look forward each year to this function. An orchestra has been engaged and a caller selected. A number of townspeople are planning to go out to witness the affair. Presents will be distributed among the inmates this evening and tomorrow an elaborated dinner will be served.

At the county poor farm Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sampson will have the institution in charge, will give their unfortunate charges a dinner better than usual. At the county jail, Sheriff Frank O'Connor will serve goose to his boarders.

There being bare ground this season there will be no sleighing parties, but the skating is excellent and hundreds of young people will be found on the river.

The trains the past few days have brought hundreds of people to the city—ones who are away to school or who are employed elsewhere. Most of them will visit until after Jan. 1st.

TRAINING SCHOOL NOTES.

The Alumni reception was a decided success although the attendance was not so large as desirable, about forty being present. These with the members of the school made a good audience. The musical numbers, vocal and instrumental, were well rendered, the class song composed and set to music by Miss Maud Holsten was especially pleasing. The song "Wisconsin," and the play, "Simpsom's Hired Man," were enthusiastically applauded. Corel Welland's rhymes given as a toast at the banquet, relating experiences and impressions of his first school, and Sam Welland's verses on the training school were much merited.

The efficiency of our toastmaster, Zora Schooley, '02, did honor to the occasion. The exercises showed that we have a mind of undeveloped talent which needs exploiting. There should be more spontaneity, more independence and freedom in the exercise of individual talent. There is no good reason why we should not have a volume of school class and society songs, poems, plays, stories and histories, written by the alumni. Let each one write in his own vein and send it to be read in the literary school and published in the training school notes.

C. & N. W. Ry. officials have asked for a conference with the board of public works regarding the company's bridge on Grand avenue and the one in contemplation of erection on Canal street. The city has asked for a fifty foot bridge on the latter street, but it is learned, the railroad company is in favor of widening the Grand avenue bridge and building one less than fifty feet wide across the Canal street cut. The matter will probably be compromised.

MOVE TO THEIR NEW QUARTERS.

The Hub Will Take Possession of the Weinfeld Stores After January 1st.

The Hub clothing store of which John Lerum is manager, and which has occupied the store where it now is since its organization, will come into possession of the Weinfeld double stores, just one door north, on the 1st of January. This store was formerly occupied by the Continental clothing house. The Hub intends having its new quarters arranged in a very swell, up-to-date way, and it will be some six or eight weeks before it will be ready for occupancy. The store now occupied by the Hub has been rented by a hardware establishment which is to take possession as soon as vacated.

TWENTY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

The First National Bank Was Twenty-Five Years Old Yesterday.

On Monday, December 23d, 1907, the First National bank, of this city, attained the 25th year of its existence as a national bank. It was the intention of its officers to in some fitting way celebrate this event, but the rush of the holiday season prevented.

The First National bank secured its charter in 1882. In the year 1885, Messrs. D. L. Plummer, Geo. Silverthorn and W. C. Silverthorn, established a real estate and banking business. This bank was first opened on Jackson street and later moved to the Music Hall block, on the corner where the Litchfield block now stands, and in 1875 a banking building was erected on

M. E. DEACONESS.

One week from tomorrow will be New Year's day, January 1st, 1908. There will be much going on on that day and the previous evening, to make the occasion full of interest and a delight to all.

The PILOT understands that many will keep open houses during the afternoon of New Year's day. The various programs have not been arranged up to this time, else the PILOT would give the same to the public, but it will be able to do so next Tuesday.

On New Year's eve the bachelors give their reception and dancing party at the club house. This will be one of the great social events of the holiday season in Wausau.

The reception and dancing party given by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Yawkey and daughter, Miss Leigh, will take place on Thursday evening, Dec. 26th.

The Men's club will hold a reception in the M. E. church on New Year's eve, to which all the members of the congregation are invited and the people of our city in general. This will be followed by a night watch service.

There will be open house all day on New Year's at the Y. M. C. A. and a program will be in progress in the gymnasium from 9 a. m. until late in the evening. The program is as follows:

In the morning there will be two base ball games between Junior A class teams; a contest between Junior A and B in both basketball and base ball. Between these contests there will be a pillow fight between members of the Junior class. Novelty racing, a regular class drill, free hand calisthenics and a maze run will make up the balance of the morning's program.

The feature of the afternoon will be a basketball game between the Y. M. C. A. and Wausau freshmen attending the University of Wisconsin. The intermediate seconds and Junior B's will open at 2:30 with a base ball game. There will be a potato race, a basketball game between the intermediate firsts and Senior seconds, parallel bar work between halves by the Senior Leaders, who will also during the afternoon perform some work on the horses.

In the evening the Business Men will play the Seniors a game of base ball. A literary and musical program will be given up stairs and refreshments will be served.



MISS SARA A. WOOD.

Miss Sara A. Wood has been secured as deaconess for the M. E. church of this city and will arrive here to begin her work on January 1st. Miss Wood has been with the Grand Avenue Methodist church of Milwaukee for the past six years, and has been a very successful worker among the poor of that city, and a very popular worker with the young people of the church. She will be here to attend the watch night services of the First Methodist Episcopal church on New Year's eve.

SUING FOR DAMAGES.

Frank Knetter has commenced an action against Kasimer Lemanski to collect \$1,000 damages for libel. Both are Poles residing in the town of Cassel. For some time, it appears, there has been two opposing factions in the Polish Catholic church in that town. On the night of June 16, last, some one set fire to the church and it was badly damaged before the flames were subdued. Eight days later, Knetter and Lemanski met at the saloon of Mike Blozinski in Edgar and got into a quarrel. When the words which passed between them were of a sizzling character, Lemanski is alleged to have made the remark, in the presence of four witnesses: "Ty jestis ten chlop co ten kosciel zapali!" This is this statement on which \$1,000 hinges. The reader perhaps does not know its meaning and for his benefit we will give the correct translation, which is as follows: "You are the man who set fire to that church." Because the defendant sought to injure him as he believes, and cause it to appear that he was guilty of arson, Knetter has brought suit and the case will come up at the next term of court, unless a settlement is effected in the meantime, but those familiar with the parties say that there can be no settlement, for both are determined to fight to the end.

TO MERRILL BY AUTOMOBILE.

Yesterday, three Wausau automobiles were driven to Merrill filled with Wausau people.

In the Walter Alexander car were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Alexander of this city and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Alexander of Bloomington, Ill.

In the C. J. Winton car were: Mrs. C. J. Winton and daughter, Miss Helen Winton, Miss Katharine Bissell and visiting guest, Miss Gladys Damon, Edgar Wilson and Donald Gooding.

In the Geo. Sexmith car were: Geo. and Fred Sexmith, Neuman Bellis, Wm. Scholfield and Mitchell Stewart.

Most of those mentioned took supper at the Badger hotel and did not return to the city until nine o'clock in the evening.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The basketball team goes to Antigo to play the high school team of that place, Friday night.

There will be no games in the Intermediate league tonight. The basketball team will get in all the practice it can this week for Friday night's game.

There will be big open house New Year's day.

Things are booming at the Y. The basketball team was defeated at Rhineland last Thursday night 56 to 31 on a slippery dance floor. The boys not being used to the slippery floor were unable to play up to standard.

The standing of the baseball leagues for this week are:

Team	W.	L.	P.	Per Cent.
Br. B. class				
Cuba	4	0	3	80
Cardinals	4	0	4	80
White Sox	4	0	4	80
Tigers	2	2	6	25
2d. B. class				
Criminals	6	0	1	100
Narrows	4	0	3	80
Cardinals	4	0	3	80
Reds	0	6	3	0
Intermediate class				
Sons	2	1	1	66
Ironhills	2	2	2	50
Chippewas	2	3	3	40
Whitehorses	1	4	1	20

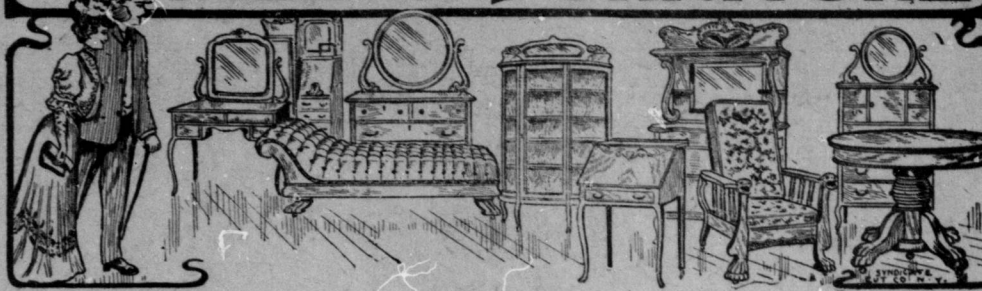
BOWLING.

There was a bowling contest at the Wausau club house, on Saturday evening, between Brokaw and Wausau bowlers. It was a spirited game but the former were again the winners. At the close of the contest the Wausau team entertained the visitors at a supper. The following was the score:

Team	Score
Wausau	158-133-177
Brokaw	161-134-201
Gooding	147-135-194
Zimmer	116-123-138
Marshall	107-104-130
	749-752-800
	2361
Brokaw	
Boyer	159-184-150
Ainsworth	118-168-164
Wilson	154-172-155
Smith	125-180-186
Edmonds	121-197-182
	707-901-837
	3445

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FOR THE COMMON GOOD.

Co-Operation of City Business Men and Farmers Proving of Great Value—Results of the First Important Practical Test.

History will record the fact that the first successful instance of farmers and city business men working together for their mutual benefit was inaugurated in the rooms of the Business Men's association of Battle Creek, Mich., early in the year 1906. It is now nearly two years since the plan was put into working order, and it has even exceeded the fondest expectations of those interested in the consolidation.

The Business Men's association has elegant club rooms located on the fifth floor of the finest block in the city. These rooms are open to the farmers at all times, where they may confer with one another or with the officers of the association. There are several rooms, occupying the entire floor of the large block, all finished and furnished at a cost of several thousand dollars. There are scores of easy chairs, sofas, couches, etc., and tables where the farmers may read and write, and sometimes work in the families bring their lunches into these rooms to eat while waiting and resting.

In fact, these rooms have been made famous all over the country because of their being the starting place of a "consolidation" wherein the farmers are greatly interested. It would please the readers of The Tribune Farmer to step into these rooms and watch some of our farmers and the city merchants conferring together over the raising of money to improve a bad piece of road. This road might be several miles from the city limits, and yet its improvement would facilitate the bringing of farm produce into town, no matter how bad the weather conditions.

There is a long road south of the city that makes the worst up-and-down hill five-mile drive I have seen in a right place. It runs south and east on a long way, having three and two miles each way, respectively. A railroad runs across, forming the hypotenuse of the triangle.

The land along the railroad is somewhat level over a large portion of the distance, and the farmers conceived the idea of building a new highway along the railroad for about one and three-quarter miles, thus cutting off eight or nine very long and bad hills of sand over the old road. The farmers went to the officers of the city association and the merchants and manufacturers willingly agreed to help build the new road.

A survey was made and the work started, and it is the first new road ever constructed in Michigan for such a purpose, and by the city men and farmers working together.

A bad hill was being cut down to fill in a swampy place alongside the railroad. It looked like a tedious and costly job at first, and some of the farmers were discouraged. But the city men kept up the courage and continued to subscribe to the fund. And so the work went on—Tribune Farmer.

NEW COOK BOOK.

The Ladies' Aid society of the First Presbyterian church of this city has just issued another edition of its cook book. This makes the third edition the ladies have gotten out in the past twenty years. The work was done at the PILOT office job rooms. The new book is on sale at Hudson's store and other places in the city.

WILL INSTALL AT ANTIGO.

J. C. Smith, of this city, will go to Antigo on Friday to install the officers of Antigo Commandery, No. 31, K. T. The installation ceremonies will take place on that evening.

RECALLS A CRIME.

Edward Ratigan, a notorious burglar, was killed Saturday last in Spokane, Wash., by a dynamite explosion. His death recalls a revolver fight which took place south of this city in 1899.

Ratigan was one of the four burglars who blew open the vault of the Amherst bank, March 10, 1899, and was caught next day in the woods south of this city, by a party out after the reward offered for the capture of the four. Previous to his capture he and one of his partners gave Thos. Malone, who was then sheriff, and a number of deputies, a tussle in the woods. A pitched battle was fought in which revolvers were used. Ratigan did most of the shooting, using a .44 calibre Colt's revolver. During the fight, one of the burglars was seen to lunge forward, as if hit by a bullet, but later it was ascertained that this was only a ruse by which he was able to throw a government bond under a log, unnoticed by any of the sheriff's party. The bond was found a year later by Henry Meuret, who returned to the bank and received a reward. The two robbers at that time succeeded in getting away from the sheriff's party, but towards evening they became exhausted from running through deep snow all day, and fell into the hands of a party armed with Winchester rifles and surrendered. Little money was found on them, but each carried a small sized arsenal. Two of the party were caught earlier in the day in the Adams House, when coming out from dinner. These, too, were heavily armed. Although they got nearly \$800 out of the Amherst bank the night before, very little money was found on either one of the four, and where they disposed of it has always remained a mystery. It is supposed that the bulk of it is hidden in the woods somewhere south of Wausau. Shortly after being convicted in Stevens Point and sent to prison, Ratigan made his escape and was not recaptured until a year later, when he was arrested for burglarizing a post office in Illinois. He was a big, burly fellow and a desperate character who would not hesitate a moment in taking

a man's life. Reports do not give the exact manner of his death, except to state that at the time he was killed he was attempting to "sweet" nitro-glycerine out of dynamite, probably with the intention of committing another crime.

HANDLER PARDONED.

Gov. Jas. A. Davidson on Saturday signed a pardon for Geo. Handler confined in the state prison and he is now a free man. Most of our readers will remember the crime for which Handler was serving sentence. On the morning of Jan. 1, 1890, he entered the saloon of Dave Sarvis, a former Wausau resident in Merrill, and picking a quarrel with Sarvis he pulled a revolver and shot and killed him. Going out on the street he met a policeman of the name of Trux, who attempted to arrest him, and he shot and dangerously wounded the policeman. The police force had emptied their revolvers a short time previously in celebrating the birth of the new year and consequently some difficulty was experienced in capturing Handler. When caught, the quickest piece of justice ever executed in Northern Wisconsin resulted. Next day he waived examination, asked for permission to plead guilty received a life sentence and was on his way to prison all within twenty-four hours after the commission of the crime. Judge Webb, who sentenced him, was among the signers of the petition for his pardon. Sarvis, when he lived here, had many friends who were pained to learn of his death. He at one time picked for the Wausau base ball team and was what the sporting element termed a "good fellow."

Handler was a professional gambler whose traits of character made him a what a southerner would term a "no account" man. He has served sixteen years in prison, and is now in middle age, the best part of his life having passed. His home is in Neenah and it was people of that city who were instrumental in getting him pardoned.

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