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DR. BLAKESLEE MARRIED
TO MISS LAURA DODGECeremony Performed in St. Paul
Thanksgiving Day, Surprised the
Doctor's Bemidji Friends.

"Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Bliss request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their sister, Miss Laura F. Dodge, to Dr. F. A. Blakeslee, on the evening of Thursday, November the twenty-eighth, one thousand nine hundred and seven, at eight o'clock, 681 St. Peter Street, Saint Paul, Minnesota."

The above announcement, which was received by the editor of the Pioneer, was the first intimation we had that the genial doctor Blakeslee intended taking unto himself a life partner, and like many others in the city who received similar letters, the announcement came as a genuine surprise.

It is impossible to get particulars of the marriage ceremony from any of the twin city papers; however, it is learned that the bride is a very estimable lady of St. Paul who has a host of friends there, and who knew the doctor for many years. Doctor Blakeslee is one of the very oldest residents of this city, and is universally liked; and his many friends here will congratulate him on his most recent diagnosis.

Markham Sunday Dinner.

Remember that you can take your family to the Markham hotel and partake of a fine Sunday dinner which will be served at 6 o'clock tomorrow. Don't bother with home cooking, when you can be served so nicely.

HAVE INVESTED HEAVILY
IN BUSINESS AT SOLWAYMessrs. Sine and McCourt of Austin,
With Their Families, Moving to
Solway.

A. O. Sine and family, formerly of Austin, Minn., are in the city, on their way to Solway, where they will hereafter make their home.

Mr. Sine, in company with S. N. McCourt, also of Austin, has invested very heavily at Solway, having purchased all the interests of the Solway Mercantile company at that place, including the store building and a large stock of goods, lands and appurtenances "thereunto belonging."

Messrs. Sine and McCourt will engage very heavily in the general mercantile business at Solway, and will handle a very large stock of

goods.

Both gentlemen come to northern Minnesota with the best of recommendations as business men and private citizens. They have lived at Austin for many years, and the citizens of that place, according to the Austin newspapers, part with them with sincerest regrets.

Mr. McCourt is expected to arrive from Austin tomorrow, when the work of renovating the store building at Solway and installing a large new stock of goods will be commenced.

The people at Solway are indeed fortunate in securing such excellent people as residents of their village, and the Pioneer welcomes Messrs. Sine and McCourt and their families to Beltrami county.

COMMISSIONERS BEGIN
EXAMINATION OF LANDSMessrs. Sibley, O'Neil, Rugland
Residence Here.—Went to Wolf
Lake Today.

John H. O'Neil of Park Rapids and S. Rugland of Ashby arrived in the city last evening from their homes and together with F. O. Sibley of Island Lake, will begin the work of appraising the damages to lands overflowed as a result of the operation of the government reservoirs at Leach Lake, Lake Winnepigishish and Pokagema lake. There gentlemen were appointed at the last session of the U. S. court at Fergus Falls, and they will immediately commence labors assigned to them.

Messrs. Sibley, O'Neil and Rugland, accompanied by E. J. Dugan of St. Paul, junior engineer of the U. S. engineering corps, left this morning for McGuire's mill, which is located on Wolf lake, about thirteen miles east of Bemidji. The gentlemen will inspect the lands along the Mississippi (which flows through Wolf lake) back to Bemidji, and will probably return to this city tomorrow.

Omer Gravelle Was Very Ill.

Omer Gravelle, who conducts a general store at the Red Lake agency in partnership with John G. Morrison, came down this morning from the agency. He was accompanied by his brother, George Gravelle, and they will go to White Earth for a week's visit with their mother, Mrs. R. P. Gravelle.

Omer Gravelle has just recovered from a very serious attack of pleurisy, which was so severe that Mr. Gravelle's life was at one time despaired of. He has recovered sufficiently to be about again, but is still very weak.

ERNEST FAGENSTROM LECTURE.

Mr. Ernest Fagenstrom of Minneapolis will deliver his illustrated lecture "With Cycle and Camera through Scenic Sweden," in the City Hall Wednesday evening, December 4th. The lecture is given under the auspices of the boys of the Baptist Sunday-school, for the benefit of the building fund. Mr. Fagenstrom has the unique distinction of having tramped through Sweden one summer. This was so

enjoyable that he returned and rode through the length of the country on a bicycle. The lecture is profusely illustrated with 144 original views taken by his own camera. Although the lecture was prepared for a homecoming entertainment, it has been in such constant demand that Mr. Fagenstrom has been obliged to give it almost fifty times.

The boys are working hard and hope to have a full house, as every cent of the proceeds go to the church.



KING OSCAR OF SWEDEN



Attention, Elks.

All members of Bemidji Lodge, No. 1052, B. P. O. E., and all visiting Elks, as well as those living in nearby towns, are requested to participate in the memorial services which will be held in the city opera house Sunday afternoon, Dec. 1, at 3:45 o'clock.

Members of the order will meet at the hall, in the Masonic block, at 3 o'clock sharp, to meet visiting Elks at the train.

The public is invited.

CHARLES L. DECKER, Exalted Ruler.

Elks' Memorial Services at the City Opera House,
Tomorrow Afternoon, at 3:45 O'clock.—Visiting Elks
And the Public Are Invited to Attend these Services

Preparations have been completed for the Elks memorial services to be held in the city opera house tomorrow afternoon, at 3:45 o'clock.

The first Sunday in December is observed by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks as memorial day, when services commemorating the memory of brothers who have gone beyond are held, it being the custom for every Elk to attend these services.

Bemidji Lodge, No. 1052, B. P. O. E., will observe the day, and arrangements have already been completed for carrying out of an agreed-upon program, which is as follows: Song—"Blest Be the Tie that Binds" Miss Oliver, Miss Mayers, Miss Malette, Miss Alley, Mr. H. S. Fisk, Mr. Frank Stirratt, Mr. E. F. DeVelling, Mr. A. O. E. Hawkett.

Accompanist—Miss Blanche Boyer.

Opening Prayer.....Rev. Deniston

Solo—"Abide With Me".....Shelly Miss Eugenia Oliver.

Opening Ceremony.....Elks Lodge

Memorial Address..... Rev. Archdeacon Parshall, St. Cloud Lodge, B. P. O. E., No. 516.

Bass Solo—"Cavalry".....Rodney

Solo—"Before the Throne of Glory".....Geo. Nevins Miss Eugenia Oliver, Assisted by Quartette.

Song—"God Be With You Till We Meet Again".....

Miss Oliver, Miss Mayers, Miss Malette, Miss Alley, Mr. H. S. Fisk, Mr. Frank Stirratt, Mr. E. F. DeVelling, Mr. A. O. E. Hawkett.

Closing Ceremony.....Elks Lodge

Doxology.....Audience

Benediction.....Rev. Deniston

The members of Bemidji Lodge, No. 1052, and all visiting Elks who will be in the city Sunday will meet at the hall, in the Masonic block, at 3 o'clock p. m., and will march in a body to the G. N. depot for the purpose of meeting the brethren from Deer River and other points east, after which the entire party will march to the city opera house, when the services will be held.

The public generally is urged to attend these services, which will all be of a public nature, and the ladies of the city are especially invited.

Rev. Archdeacon Parshall of Cass Lake, who will deliver the memorial address, is one of the most highly respected Elks in the state of Minnesota, and is a splendid speaker.

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MILES HOTEL AT HIBBING
WAS BURNED YESTERDAY

Most Modern and Expensive Hostelry on the Range Consumed.—Building Was Valued at \$200,000.—Only \$20,000 Insurance Carried.

Hibbing, Minn., Nov. 30.—The Hotel Miles, the most modern and expensive hotel on the Mesaba range, was completely destroyed by fire yesterday forenoon. The fire broke out at about eight o'clock. It started in the basement of the building, from the heating plant. By the time the fire was noticed and an alarm was turned in the smoke was so dense in the basement, that it was impossible for the firemen to enter.

There was about thirty tons of soft coal in the boiler room, and after this caught fire the flames soon spread to floor ground and from there throughout the entire building. At 10:30 the walls fell in and the remainder of the building was soon consumed by the flames. The building was built about two years ago by Messrs. Miles and Markham and with fixtures was valued at about \$200,000. Insurance was carried to the amount of \$20,000.

It was only by hard work that the firemen were able to save the buildings adjoining on the north and had they once caught fire the whole of Third avenue would have been burnt to the ground. The burned building contained a confectionery store, the Miles vaudeville theater, barber shop, cafe, bar and sample rooms on first floor. It was three stories high with a basement, and was considered the finest building

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The good work of the department prevented the fire spreading across the alley on which the building stood, or across Third street, although for a time it looked as though the fire would certainly spread and the city be confronted with a very disastrous conflagration.

A large part of the furniture in the hotel was saved, but practically nothing was removed from the Miles theater. The loss is roughly estimated at \$150,000. The fire when discovered, had gained great headway. Alarms were sounded through the hotel and the department was notified. Some of the guests were

awakened from sleep and some were notified while dressing. Many hurried to the street, some scantily dressed, and sought refuge in some nearby buildings. The hotel employees, marshalled by the manager, turned their attention to carrying out the furniture, and many pieces were saved, thereby cutting down the total loss materially.

The fire department, after pouring volumes of water upon the burning building with little appreciable result, turned their attention to preventing nearby buildings from taking fire. Klessman's confectionery store, just across the alley, was saved, although it was badly scorched and for a time appeared to be doomed. A small frame building behind the hotel, between the burning building and the baseball park, caught and burned. The heat from the fire was intense and the plate glass windows in stores across Third street were broken.

So far as known there was only one person injured. Falling glass cut a man on the street, but his name is not known at the time this message is filed.

As the heart of the city was one time threatened a request was made for aid in Duluth, and fire apparatus was to start from that city by special train, but the fire was under control before it left and the order was countermanded. Three hours after the fire was discovered the building was in ruins and the possibility of other buildings catching averted. The ruins smoldered for several hours.

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Purchased Bacon Saloon.

E. J. Gearlds has purchased the saloon, which has been conducted by C. M. Bacon for several years past, and will hereafter have personal charge of the business of that establishment.

The Bacon place has, for some time, been one of the most popular refreshment parlors in the city, and Mr. Bacon has always enjoyed a very liberal patronage.

Mr. Gearlds, the new proprietor of the place, has had charge of the bar for Mr. Bacon for several years and the success of the saloon has been, in a large measure, due to the efficiency and personal popularity of Gearlds.

Mr. Gearlds will retain J. E. Flatley to assist in supplying the wants of the patrons of the place, and he and Mr. Gearlds will make a strong team.

Ed's. many friends in this city wish him unbounded success in his new venture.

M. & I. THROUGH SERVICE
ESTABLISHED THIS EVE

Passenger Service Inaugurated from
Brainerd to International
Falls.

Through passenger service from the twin cities to the international boundary at International Falls, by an almost direct air-line, is now an assured fact, through the medium of the N. P. railway and the Minnesota & International railway, in conjunction with the Littlefork extension of the Big Falls-International Falls railway.

The inauguration of the new Brainerd-Big Falls schedule on the M. & I. railway, will be this evening, when the first passenger train will go through from Brainerd to International Falls. The time of the arrival and departure of the north-bound passenger train on the new schedule has not been changed from the time which has been in vogue during the past year. The train will arrive in Bemidji at 6 p. m., remain here for half an hour for supper and depart northward at 6:30, arriving at International Falls at 11:05 p. m. Returning, the train will leave International Falls at 3:45 a. m. A half-hour's stop will be made here for breakfast, and the train will leave for the south at 8:45, instead of 8:20, as heretofore.

Through connections to St. Paul will be made at Brainerd, where there will be a stop for dinner, which gives the International Falls-Twin city service which will be greatly appreciated by the wholesalers in the twin cities and the business men north to the boundary.

The train crews which have been running on the regular passenger train will run through to International Falls on the same schedule as heretofore.

The new schedule officially goes into effect tomorrow, and the north extension has been turned over to the M. & I. for operation.

H. A. McCormick, formerly station agent at Blackduck, has been assigned to International Falls, and J. A. Colpitts has been appointed agent at Littlefork. For the present there will be no stations erected nor agents appointed at Grandfalls, Waukaha, Wisner and Nakoda.

G. M. Huss, engineer who has had charge of the building of the extension, has practically completed his work, and the gravel and surfacing trains and crews will be discontinued from this date.

Commissioners Meet.

A special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be held in the court house Tuesday, December 3, for the purpose of clearing up the balance of business for this year. As there are a number of matters to be attended to, the session will probably last two days.

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Stage of Miles Theater at Hibbing, Burned Yesterday.