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WILL REBUILD CHURCH OF BRICK.

M. E. Society Will Replace Burned Edifice With Modern Structure.

At a meeting of the official board and other members of the M. E. Society held at the close of the evening services at the Fay Opera on Sunday last, it was practically decided to keep pace with the march of improvement so apparent in Virginia and replace the burned church structure with a handsome solid brick edifice, to be erected at an estimated cost of approximately \$10,000.

This amount is but about one-third higher than the Society had figured for a new frame structure to replace the building destroyed, work on this proposed structure having been commenced some time ago and the basement of which is now complete.

The local M. E. Society has been greatly increased in membership during the past year, and under the energetic leadership of the Rev. H. A. Logan, pastor, they will have an edifice which will be the peer of any house of worship on their ranges. In the meantime the Society will hold its services in the Fay Opera House, where all will be made cordially welcome.

Nothin' Doin'.

The city fathers enjoyed a respite Tuesday evening from the usual arduous labors which mark their regular meeting nights, but little aside from routine business demanding their attention.

Sealed bids for the construction of a lateral sewer in District No. 3F were called for, to be submitted at the meeting of the council on the 6th of November. This sewer will connect the new Johnson school building and intermediate property to the west along its course with the main sewer. A resolution for this improvement was vetoed by the mayor earlier in the season, but his action was reconsidered in the face of statements made by members of the school board that unless such improvement was provided by the time of the completion of the school that the building would not be occupied until sewer connections were furnished. And even a blind man must recognize, if he has hold of the reins, that public opinion is stronger than the pull of a mule.

A resolution accepting the special assessment tax-roll for 1906 was accepted, and a copy of same ordered filed with the county auditor. An arc lamp was ordered installed on Central avenue at the intersection of Hemlock street.

The street commissioner was instructed to build a cross-walk at the intersection of Cleveland avenue and Spruce street.

A request from the library board for a cross-walk for the accommodation of patrons of the library was brought up; no definite action taken aside from an understanding that a temporary crossing would be provided when occasion required.

The special assessment for paving and street improvements, etc., will come up for hearing at a meeting to be held on Thursday evening next, October 18th. If you are a realty-holder on Chestnut street or in the city you have an interest in this session.

County Fair Gets \$250 Appropriation.

County Commissioner Ryan, of Hibbing, at the meeting of the board of county commissioners on Tuesday, was granted an appropriation of \$250 for the St. Louis County Agricultural Society of Hibbing. The first annual fair just closed at that point was a decided success, but owing to the large initial expense the society is in need of coin. The resolution appropriating the sum provides that the treasurer of the agricultural society shall certify receipted bills to the county to prove that \$800 was expended by the society in premiums, before the appropriation becomes available.

Buys Duluth Home.

P. H. Nelson, a well known mining man of Hibbing, has purchased the dwelling of E. F. Sweeney at 1409 E. Superior street, Duluth. Mr. Sweeney was a former resident of this city, moving to Duluth some four years ago. He has since become interested in the Arizona copper fields, and moved his family to California. During a recent visit to the range he disposed of his local realty holdings on Wyoming avenue and Magnolia street to T. D. Sullivan.

TRYING TO INTRODUCE STEEL TIES.

Carnegie Company Interesting Range Roads in This New Departure.

An effort is being made by the Carnegie Steel company, with which the Oliver Iron Mining company is associated in the United States Steel corporation, as well as other roads, in steel ties, and the company will have an exhibit of steel rails and Duquesne rail-joints at the American Street Railway Convention at Columbus, Ohio, on October 15-19.

A considerable amount of steel cross-ties is in use in England and Europe, but this country has been slow to adopt them. While it is said the proportion of steel ties used in other countries has kept up well within late years, the fact that those countries do not build as much mileage as is built in the United States may indicate that the use of the new tie is not greatly on the increase.

A considerable amount of Mesaba ore is used in making steel ties for use in foreign countries, which adds a tinge of local interest to the proposition.

Just A Minnesota Winter.

"The farmer who makes the weather a study finds that the clouds are floating high, the geese flying higher than usual, and the polecat displaying a familiarity that he has not betrayed for the past ten years. There isn't the least doubt but that we are in for a regular old buster, and the man who pays his debts this fall may have reason to regret it before the spring sunshine makes him forget that his house ever was covered with snow."

The speaker has counted about as many winters in Minnesota as anyone and he had an interested audience when he commenced his oration on the weather.

"All the one-eyed owls," he continued, "are leaving the country a month earlier than usual and the bob-tailed squirrels are laying in a store of cabbage as well as nuts for the winter. The farmer who has taken the trouble to notice has found that all toad stools on the old logs have wrinkles in them, and the last time this happened we had winter weather that froze the handles off the plows. Rabbits are sitting around with a humped up look to them, and the field mice have wrinkles in their tails. If this means anything it means 40 below and lots of it. Cows are hunting around to find pieces of flannel to wrap up their tails and corn husks are a foot and a half thick. All the geese, ducks and chickens are growing fur under their feathers as well as rubbing borax on their feet to harden them. It is simply going to be a hummer, and show me the man that disputes it."

And the small crowd of corn-cob pullers that had congregated on the curbstone to watch Paddy McDonnell's automobile make one last desperate effort to escape from the muddy, mirey depths of Chestnut street to get out of the way of the concrete mixing crew nodded an assent of approval, poked their hands a few degrees farther into their pockets and attested the fact that they were all Michiganders by letting loose of a cloud of Peerless smoke that obliterated the dying rays of the sun and caused Superintendent Kennedy to turn on the electric lights full thirty minutes early.

M. E. Church Services, at Opera House

Class meeting, 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school, 11:45. Epworth League, 6:30.

EVENING SERVICE.

Hymn Congregation
Prayer Pastor
Solo Star of the East
Miss Anna L. Cotton.
Scripture Reading Adams
Anthem "Gently Lead Us"
Choir.
Announcements and Offering
Male Quartette Selected
Messrs. Sarff, Tretheway, Lien, Dunsmore
Hymn Congregation
Sermon—Nehemiah Rebuilding the Walls of Jerusalem Pastor
Solo—"A Dream of Paradise" Hamilton Gray
Mr. H. T. Hare.
Hymn Congregation
Benediction

HENRY A. LOGAN, Pastor.

Will Build Big Mill at Ranier.

It is given out that the Virginia Lumber Company will shortly commence work on the construction of a mammoth sawmill and planing mill at Ranier, the new town on the Rainy River where the Rainy Lake railway will cross into Canada.

STEEL CORPORATION GETS HILL LANDS

Minimum Output of Ore to be 750,000 Tons, With Annual Increase.

The formal transfer of the Hill ore properties in Minnesota, which has been pending for many months, was closed on Friday last, at a conference of representatives of the interests concerned, held at the office of J. P. Morgan & Co. in New York.

The terms of the transfer as announced are based on a system of royalties, and give no indication of the amount of ore to be taken out of the lands except to show that it is expected to be many millions of tons.

The price to be paid for the first year of the lease is \$1.65 per ton delivered at upper Lake Superior ports, but this price is to be increased three-fourths of a cent per ton in each succeeding year until the ore bodies shall have been exhausted. It is provided that the steel corporation must take at the least 750,000 tons in 1907 and increase the amount mined by 750,000 tons a year for eleven years, until the amount mined annually has reached 8,250,000 tons, at which rate the ore must continue to be taken annually until the mines are exhausted.

The magnitude of this transaction and its effect upon the properties concerned as well as upon the iron and steel trade of the country is indicated by the fact that the Hill ore holdings have been estimated at from 400,000,000 to 700,000,000 tons. The properties included in the deal are said to be second in importance and extent only to the Lake Superior mines already controlled by the United States steel corporation, and it is said the transaction will furnish the steel corporation with a supply of ore for the next 50 years. The location of the major portion of the Hill ore deposits is in the district between Nashauk and the Diamond mine, although the Hill interests own isolated deposits the entire length of the range, as far east as Mesaba. Three such properties are included in the Virginia district, lying to the west and north of the Sautrey, and while by some the fear is expressed that the acquisition of these lands will tend to further curtail work on the fee properties of the steel corporation it is unlikely the deal will affect the stability of any range point.

To Telephone Users.

Following is a list of new subscribers and changes in the Directory Dist of the Mesaba Telephone Co. since July 15th. Kindly cut out and paste in your Directories. It will greatly assist the service if you will call by number:

Mrs. R. Bodoh, residence 243 L
C. A. Cameron, residence 242
H. B. Chase, residence 225 K
Cole & McDonald, machine shop 232
L. L. Fiant, residence 244 L
City of Virginia, fire hall 240
Franklin School 114
Fred Jenkins, residence 205 K
J. K. Tonolli, residence 150 K 2
R. J. McGhee Co. 23
Ransome Metcalfe, residence 247 L
Minnesota Dry Goods Co. 245
Wm. Moore, residence 124 L
Norman McDonald, residence 53
Dr. R. P. Pearsall, residence 210 L
S. Oberg, grocer 108
Primary School 142
W. L. Smith, residence 229 L
A. Tiesse, residence 212 K
Terrell & Stevens 235
Virginia Light & Water Co. office 241
Virginia Star 255
H. G. Waters, residence 139 K 1
W. W. Woodward, residence 206 L
F. C. Whiting, residence 306 K
Mesaba Meat Market 34 L
L. Olson & Co. meat market 223
Central School 69
Rev. J. I. Fadum, residence 82 L
Pitt Iron Mining Co.
C. E. Moore, residence 76 L 2
Carl Nelson, residence 204 K
Minnesota Land & Construction Co. Round House 100 1 ring
Minnesota Land & Construction Co. Dispatcher's Office 100 2 rings
James Sullivan, residence 329 L
Dr. S. D. Sour, residence 132 L

Puts in Hot Water Plant.

J. F. Mitchell, the genial proprietor of the Hotel Mitchell, improves that popular hostelry by putting in a commodious basement and a hot water heating plant. Since opening his house in May last Mr. Mitchell has enjoyed a pleasing patronage, and all have a word of deserved praise for his hospitality and accommodations.

WILL TOUR RANGES NEXT WEEK.

Hon. A. L. Cole and Other Prominent Republicans to Address Voters.

Hon. A. L. Cole, of Walker, Republican nominee for governor, accompanied by U. S. Senator Mose E. Clapp and Congressman J. Adam Bede, and other prominent Republican leaders, will make a tour of the iron ranges the coming week, being scheduled for addresses in this city, Hibbing, Chisholm, Eveleth, Ely and Winton, as well as several of the smaller towns.

The party will leave Duluth on the morning of the 17th, stopping first at Eveleth. From there they come to this city for the evening, at the Fay Opera. The following afternoon and evening addresses will be delivered at Chisholm and Hibbing. Friday will be spent by the party at Vermilion range points, and on Saturday the candidate will make two speeches in Duluth. Senator Clapp and Congressman Bede will also address these meetings.

It had been expected that Senator Nelson would come to St. Louis county, but it was given out Tuesday that the program had been so altered as to permit Senator Clapp to be heard here instead of Senator Nelson.

Johnson's Pigeons Got the Money.

Alfred Johnson, the local pigeon fancier who had an exhibit at the Hibbing fair, copped out a nice bunch of prize money and received many compliments for his birds.

Mr. Johnson was awarded blue and red ribbons on his Fantails; 1st prize on Pouters; 1st prize on Carriers; 1st prize on Homers; 1st prize on Black Turbids; 2nd prize on Red Turbids; 1st prize on Black Magpies; 2nd prize on Red Magpies; 2nd prize on Jacobins; 2nd prize on Barbs and 3rd prize on Owls.

Mr. Johnson has many varieties and several hundred birds, and can fill any orders received.

Looking for Bigger Game.

The Victor football team of Superior is anxious to arrange a game with the Virginia High School team to be played at Virginia next Saturday, the manager, C. Smith, having sent a communication to that effect to the sporting editor of the News Tribune. Having defeated the fast Cloquet team last Saturday by the decisive score of 18 to 0, it feels nerved to tackle bigger game in the hope of evening things up.—Duluth News Tribune.

Lath Mill Reopened.

The big lath mill of the Virginia Lumber Company which has been closed for several weeks owing to a shortage in the visible supply of lath timber, was reopened Monday. During the enforced idleness of the plant a considerable amount of lath timber has been banked, and it is expected the supply can now equal the demand throughout the winter.

Athletic Association Ball.

Invitations will issue today for a dance under the auspices of the Roosevelt High School Athletic Association on Friday evening next, October 19th.

Flaaten's Orchestra has been engaged for the occasion, and the young men will endeavor to see that each and every guest of the evening has an enjoyable time.

Attends Meeting of the Synod.

Rev. H. E. Neff, of the Cleveland Avenue Presbyterian Church left the fore part of the week for Minneapolis, where he attends the annual meeting of the synod of the state. On his way to Minneapolis Rev. Neff was the guest, for a day, of Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Jamieson, at Duluth.

Episcopal Church.

Next Sunday, the eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, there will be divine services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church at 9:30 p. m. The service will be a special Harvest Festival, and all are cordially invited to be present. Sunday School will meet at 12:00 o'clock, noon.

Presbyterian Church.

Sunday School at noon. Christian Endeavor at 8:45; Mr. O. Infelt, leader. Sermons by the pastor at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited.

Read the ads. in the Enterprise, and get wise on where to do your trading.