

A disastrous fire on the Knute Fredrickson farm, near Pekin, last Friday evening, destroyed his big barn and part of a granary. The barn was 58x62 feet, hip roof, and one of the largest in Nelson county. A young child of Mr. Fredrickson's set the fire in the hay loft. 150 tons of hay and about 1000 bushels of oats were burned in the barn and about 1000 bushels of oats and some wheat in the granary was also burned. The loss is estimated at \$7,000.