

Local.

M. E. Church Services.

Sunday: Class meeting 10:00 a. m.
 Preaching 10:30 a. m.
 Epworth League 6:30 p. m.
 Preaching 7:30 p. m.
 Thursday: Prayer meeting 7:30 p. m.
 J. S. DeLong, Pastor.

Room for rent. Mrs. Tipton.

Next Sunday is St. Valentine's Day.
 Try Mac's macaroni bread in brick form.

Senator Crane came up from Fargo last Friday to attend to some business matters and returned on Saturday's train.

California naval oranges medium size 30c per dozen at JIMMISON & OLSON'S, The New Store.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Peter E. Nelson has been sick with bronchopneumonia for a few days but is now improving.

Jessie, Binford and McHenry only had train service three times last week on account of the stormy weather. Cooperstown, however, was favored with a daily service.

STATE BANK of Cooperstown, has money at all times for Farm Loans.

The Moderation Club give a public dance Feb. 12—Lincoln's birthday—in the opera house. This will occur tomorrow evening and the grand march will start up at 8 by the clock.

The weather so far this month has been very disagreeable, blowing and storming some nearly every day. It seems as if the last part of winter was trying to be real bad.

There will be confirmation services in the Lutheran church next Sunday morning and service in English in the evening. Subject for the evening service will be, "Whither are we drifting?" All are cordially invited.

Dr. Rose, resident dentist, Cooperstown, N. D., can be found in his office from now on until further notice. Office in Syverson's new building, upstairs.

B. K. Climie has shipped his furniture and household effects to his new ranch near Dickinson and will settle down on his new possessions. Ben has secured a good deal out west and we hope that his star of success will continue to be in the ascendancy all the time.

"WE ARE COMING NOW."



"WAIT A MINUTE."

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Campbell left Wednesday of last week for a six weeks' or two months' visit to friends at Minneapolis, Kansas. By the time that the March thaw hits Kansas Bert will be ready to strike out for home as he has not been raised right for wallowing around in the mud. It is no uncommon thing for people to sink out of sight completely down in that country.

R. S. Lunde, Cooperstown, N. D., has money to loan on land at all times; writes fire, lightning and windstorm insurance in the St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company and other reliable companies. Sole agent here for D. S. B. Johnston Land Company's lands.

Victor Nelson has been deprived of his position at the Cooperstown depot which he has held for a long time in the capacity of operator but has been given the position of station agent at Esmond, for which place he left Friday. Everybody regrets to see Vic leave as he is not only a good fellow but a good man for the band. We certainly wish him all kinds of good luck at Esmond.

Lieutenant-Governor David Bartlett came up from Fargo last Friday, remaining over until Saturday afternoon. Mr. Bartlett is having plenty to do these days looking after North Dakota's World's Fair exhibit. He has recently shipped his exhibits from Fargo and is now on his way to St. Louis to superintend the building of the state booth and the placing of the exhibits.

Macaroni seed wheat for sale. Apply to P. P. Devoos, Cooperstown, N. D.

The New England supper given by the ladies of the M. E. church at the fire hall last Friday evening was very well patronized considering the inclemency of the weather. The ladies had prepared a very fine supper. G. E. Maconnell wanted to help out the crockery concerns some so he accidentally pushed a table load of dishes to the floor—the table being of the folding variety and shutting up on him when he attempted to move the table to one side. Only two or three dishes were broken and Mac is glad to escape so lightly.

Go to FIRST NATIONAL BANK for your Farm Loans.

Try Mac's macaroni bread in brick form.

A big attendance is desired at the I. O. O. F. Monday night, the 15th.

Mrs. J. T. Regnery wens home Tuesday after spending a few days in the city.

20 per cent discount on all winter shoes at JIMMISON & OLSON'S, The New Store.

Miss Grace Thompson left Tuesday afternoon for New York City where she expects to visit for several months with her aunt.

The railroads have been kept busy this month so far and the snow plows and shovel crews have been in great demand.

Warren Roberts has accepted a position as superintendent of the baggage smashing department at the Cooperstown depot. Warren is accommodating and will make Agent Payne a good assistant.

Dr. Platou has recently let the contract for the building of a private hospital for himself at Valley City, the cost being \$19,000. This is an evidence that the doctor's practice is increasing rapidly and his many friends are pleased to hear of his success.

Charlie Hart sends Doc Winsloe the following note: "I will bring a game rooster that will clean out anything in Cooperstown. Get your best in shape." You will have to show Wm. Davidson, Charley, he's from Missouri.

March is the month for auction sales. The Courier wants to call the attention of those who are contemplating selling out to the fact that we are well equipped for turning out large auction posters on short notice. Bring in your work and let us help you out.

FOR SALE—Eight room house built last year, on one of the finest corners on the Boulevard. This is one of the finest residence properties in the city and will be sold at the right figure. Good cellar, cistern, furnace, lighting plant and equipped with storm and screen windows. Will take land in part payment. Apply to J. A. MOFFATT.

Miss Lottie Tillotson, elocutionist, rendered a program in the Lutheran church last Thursday evening, a fairly good-sized audience being present. Miss Tillotson was afflicted with the prevailing cold and sore throat but nevertheless her work is reported to be very good and those present were pleased with the entertainment afforded them.

Call at the office of R. S. Lunde, successor to John O. Oie, for your farm loan and insurance business.

You intend to assure to morrow? How do you know there will be a tomorrow—for you? Assure to-day. Don't wait because you can't afford to take a large amount. Besides while you are waiting, the cost is increasing! Take out a policy for some amount now, while you can get it. A more convenient season may never come.

THE EQUITABLE, W. D. Hartman, Agt.

The Courier is in receipt of a boom edition of the Belview, Minn., Independent. We notice among other things the familiar face of Rev. Geo. R. Searles, formerly pastor of the Congregational church at this place, and who is now holding a similar position at Belview. The Independent gives the reverend gentleman a very nice write-up as well as the rest of the business men of that little city.

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A large audience assembled last night to listen to the famous Violinist Christian Hansen. The evidence of the sympathy of the audience was an incentive to the modern "Ole Bull" to do his best, for every number executed on the grand old violin by his master hand brought forth storms of applause. It will probably be many a day before the people of Lead have another opportunity to hear such marvelous violin playing.—Lead City Daily Call. Opera house February 13.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Payne, on Sunday, February 7th, 1904, a nine pound son, mother and son doing well under Dr. Burnap's care. The Courier offers congratulations. Bro. Payne feels tickled to death over this new son and is very sorry that he will not have been here long enough as required by law to vote for Theodore Roosevelt for president next November.

"Come and see our baby, Our bouncing little baby, We'll show him to you Any time you call, I wish that every lady Would call and see our baby, There's no use keeping shady, OUR baby beats them all."
 —Contributed.

The creamery is a sure thing. Come in to the meeting Saturday afternoon.

"Purina Health Pan Kake Flour." 10c per package at JIMMISON & OLSON.

T. R. Atkinson, of Fargo, superintendent of the flax fibre mill company was in the city last Saturday, looking after the interests of his company.

I will give 10 per cent discount on all repairs of harnesses during the months of January and February. Bring in your work.

WM. STRINGER.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Condy returned Tuesday from a six weeks' visit in Massachusetts. They are pleased to get back to the land of perpetual sunshine.

Al Cramer was up from Sanborn last Friday and purchased Wm. Davidson's big bay dray team. When people want something real good they come to Cooperstown for it—and get it.

Mrs. George Simpson, of Sharon, recently died in New Mexico where she and her husband had gone in search of health. She died from consumption. The remains were brought back to Sharon for interment.

Dr. L. S. PLATOU, of Valley City, graduate of Christiania University, Norway, will be in Cooperstown Feb. 26th and 27th for the purpose of practicing his profession. Regular visits last Friday and Saturday of each month.

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Dr. Burnap reports a fine nine pound baby born to Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Swingen last Saturday morning February 6th. Mother and son doing nicely and Tom will pull through with care.

A ladies' basket ball club was organized last week with Miss Jessie Roberts as president and Miss Helga Hammer as treasurer. The first game was played last Wednesday evening. Hereafter the club will meet Monday evenings.

Allen Elliot, who used to buy wheat at this place for the Dakota Elevator Co., was in the city Friday and Saturday rubbering around with old friends. Allen is now stationed at Rogers at which place he has been for the past year.

Christian Hansen, the famous Scandinavian violinist, will play a return engagement in Seattle this season. Those who heard him pronounce him the greatest violinist that ever visited coast cities.—Seattle Daily Times. Opera house Saturday, February 13.

Parties wishing to donate to the suffering people of Aalesund, Norway, can do so at Almklov's drug store and at Hammer & Condy's office at which place lists have been prepared. Fourteen thousand people lost their homes by fire in the middle of the winter and hundreds are dying from cold and exposure.

We had the misfortune to "pi" one of our city mailing lists last week and it may be that a few of our subscribers have been accidentally left off the list. If anyone fails to get the great family journal we wish they would come in and let us know about it and are at perfect liberty to lick the office devil who is the guilty party in the deal.

The question of organizing a business men's club was discussed at the creamery meeting last Saturday and a committee consisting of Messrs. A. M. Baldwin, Theo. Thompson, and S. Almklov was appointed to draft by-laws, etc. A club of this character is one of the best institutions the town can have and we hope all our business men will take hold and push the project along.

John Morris came up from the wilds of his Kensal farm Monday and put in a day or two in the city. His hair was about a foot long and he said he would not get it cut until wheat was a dollar a bushel and thirty bushels to the acre. Some of his friends thought differently, however, so they grabbed and held him while Chas. Jungck got his buck-saw and garden rake and trimmed off his hair. He looks better now.

We have been handed in the following list of officers of the recently organized Loafers' Club or the Sons of Rest: President, Bert Parsons; Vice President, George K. Houghton; Secretary, Wm. Brownfield; Treasurer, L. M. Summerville; Medical Examiner, Doc. Winsloe; Inner Guard, C. O. Johnson; Outer Guard, John Beler. Oliver Stevens and C. L. Olson were unanimously voted ornerly members as it was decided they would not work at any price while the other fellows were only waiting for the price. The applications of Bro. Rearick and the Courier editor are now before the club but it is doubtful if they will get in as one of the club's rules is to admit no one who is in the habit of stretching the truth.

5 room house for sale or rent. Enquire of S. Almklov.

We have improved farms for sale. FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Prof. Kaufman of the Agricultural College, will talk to the farmers on creameries on Saturday, Feb. 13.

A note from Mrs. John Cain conveys the intelligence of the burning of her old home at Pardeeville, Wis., recently, an account of which appears in this paper. We are pleased that Cain family escaped so luckily. Mr. Cain is much improved in health which will also be pleasing news to his many friends here.

Mayor Sansburn returned home last Saturday from St. Paul. He says he was unable to get a racing cart for the fire boys for less than \$350 and he thought that was a little too much public money to spend for this purpose, and he is right. However, he says that our present cart can be fitted with roller bearings for about \$125 and it is thought that this will be plenty good enough.

Dave Koch, who drives one of Wm. Davidson's dray teams, came pretty near being made into an angel last Thursday. He went down to get a load of lignite out of a car and shoveled up half a stick of dynamite which he carried around in his pocket for a time until one of his friends warned him that dynamite in a stage of thawing out was dangerous. Dave is too good a drayman to lose just now.

The town election will be held the fifteenth of next month. The only office over which there seems to be any fight is that of marshal. The following are candidates for the job: Anton Christianson, J. P. Blocker, M. Rood and Dick Leiser. It will be a hotly contested fight as each one of them has the backing of many friends. Any one of the bunch will do so let the man having the biggest bunch of votes win out.

The school board met in special session last Friday and tendered a reappointment to Prof. Loreaux, Miss Corey, Miss Haley, Miss Scholl and Miss Zimmerman. Miss Smith was not an applicant for reappointment. Prof. Loreaux has only been with us one term but his work has given entire satisfaction to the board and patrons. He is a worker from the ground up and we are pleased at his reappointment.

Roadmaster Nelson, with a big crew of men came up with the snow plow last Saturday to open up the branch northwest of here up to McHenry. Very little trouble was experienced, however, and the big Russell wedge plow went through humming and the train was only about an hour late on the return trip. The storm continued all day Saturday and it required the plow to open up Monday. But after all, it is real healthy weather—alongside of a good warm stove.

Burned to the Ground.

Last Saturday afternoon about four o'clock, Otto Mullencup's house was discovered to be on fire. All efforts to extinguish the flames proved unavailing. The house was totally destroyed. The furniture on the first floor was saved. The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cain was sleeping upstairs and was rescued by her mother a short time before the roof fell. As it was Mrs. Cain's hair and eyebrows were singed when she went for the child. Mr. and Mrs. Cain lost a trunk containing clothing and \$85 in money. The worst blow falls on Mrs. Mullencup and the children living at home—it was the old home and can never be replaced. Mrs. Mullencup and Miss Esta Mullencup were sick at the time. They were taken to M. Simmons' home. The son Otto was married last fall and the misfortune is a severe one for him and his wife. The fire is supposed to have caught from the chimney as the attic was blazing beyond control when discovered. The loss is partly covered by insurance.—Pardeeville (Wis.) Times, Jan. 29.

The Death Penalty.

A little thing sometimes results in death. Thus a mere scratch, insignificant cuts or puny boils have paid the death penalty. It is wise to have Bucklen's Arnica Salve ever handy. It's the best Salve on earth and will prevent fatality, when Burns, Sores, Ulcers and Piles threaten. Only 25c at Bateman's Drug Store.

Creamery Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the farmers adjoining Hannaford on Saturday, Feb. 13, at two o'clock, to organize a creamery at that place. Everyone come. We mean business.
 J. G. MILLS.

Cream Separator Test.
 Minnesota Dairymen's Committee Renders Report of National Interest and Importance.

The Report.
 This is what the judges say about the cream separator test:

FAIRMONT, MINN., Dec. 17, 1903.
 We, the undersigned, judges in the above contest, hereby certify that at the run made of the following separators in pursuance of the above agreement was as follows:
 As milk could be obtained for only one run, it was made at a temperature of from 62 to 70 degrees, each machine being given 200 pounds, under identically the same conditions. The tests were as follows:

	Skimmed Milk.	Cream test.
Alpha (De Laval).....	175	32 1/2 per cent.
United States.....	125	50 per cent.
Empire.....	450	19 1/2 per cent.
Sharples.....	050	25 per cent.

(Signed) ROBERT CRICKMORE,
 A. W. TROW,
 E. J. HENRY.

In explanation of the above:
 Alpha (De Laval) 175, means that 17 1/2 one hundredths of 1 per cent of butter fat was found in skimmed milk after the Alpha test.
 United States... 125, means that 12 1/2 one hundredths of 1 per cent of butter fat was found in skimmed milk after the test with the U. S.
 Empire..... 450, means that 45 one hundredths of 1 per cent of butter fat was found in skimmed milk after the test with the Empire.
 SHARPLES.....050, means that only 5 one hundredths of 1 per cent of butter fat was found in skimmed milk after the test with the Sharples.
 "The various machines were adjusted by the operators, without actual test, so that the cream test would approximate 30 per cent, which accounts for the variations in the density of the cream."
 The showing therefore indicates that the Sharples machine was:
 3 TIMES BETTER THAN THE ALPHA. (De Laval.)
 2 1/2 TIMES BETTER THAN THE U. S.
 6 TIMES BETTER THAN THE EMPIRE.

The Sharples far surpassed their claim to the effect that they would do twice as well as the others.

For Sale By Aarestad Bros. & Troseth,
 HANNAFORD, NORTH DAKOTA.

Acme Shoes.

Have just opened up a line of ACME SHOES. Funnier shoes I ever saw

FIRE PROOF, WATERPROOF and WEAR PROOF.

E. H. GROVEN,
 HANNAFORD, N. D.

YES WE DO!

We are selling eight (8) boxes Axle Grease for 25 cents.

IT'S DOUBTFUL

If you could make GILT EDGE PAINT peel off with a jack knife. It's made carefully and with only Best of material that goes to make first-class paint. That is why a five year guarantee goes with each can of GILT EDGE HOUSE PAINT. This paint costs no more than other good paints, but you get more for your money. No other give a like guarantee.

HAY KNIFE : : : 90 cts.

TEA KETTLE
 Gray Granite, 90c

Stockman's Stock Food
 Large Pail \$3
 Fawkes, \$5

Mat G. Evenson