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PROGRESSIVE FARMERS

Residents of Meadow Lawn Build a Telephone Line and Already Have a Large Number of Subscribers.

Meadow Lawn is to have telephonic communication with the outside world. A number of progressive Meadow Lawn farmers have banded together and already can see the bright rays of success illuminating their way.

The organization is known as the Meadow Lawn Telephone Co., and at a recent meeting elected the following officers. President, D. L. Whitehouse, secretary, N. J. Edridge, treasurer, Chas. Dilie. A building committee was also appointed at that meeting; the personnel of which is, P. J. MacAdam, E. A. Elford and M. T. Lahart. All of the officers reside along route No. 3, leading out of Pine City.

The total number of subscribers so far secured is 26, and about 15 miles of wire will be strung. Each subscriber pays in the sum of \$12, and is exempt from further charges for party line service. The Tri State Co. has accorded them the exceedingly low rate of 20 cents per phone for the use of the Pine City service, and regular toll rates when speaking with outside parties.

The line is not yet built, but work on the construction of the same will commence just as soon as possible and it is thought that everything will be in shape for service by about the first of June.

The poles and wire and other supplies are on the ground waiting for Jack Frost to vacate. A force of 15 to 20 farmers—members of the organization, will do the work, and it is expected that about a month's time will be required to complete the job.

BUSINESS CHANGE.

Mrs. R. M. Grater and brother arrived from Faulkton, S. D., yesterday afternoon. They have purchased the Hotel Agnes and will assume charge of the same next week. Mrs. Grater is an experienced hotel lady and should make a success of her venture. Mr. and Mrs. Stoeckm have conducted the hotel during the past year and have merited a great deal of praise in their untriring efforts to give their patrons the very best service possible. They will remain here for the present and may decide to locate here permanently.

DANCE TONIGHT.

An "Old Timers" ball will be held in Stekl's hall this evening. These dances have become very popular and you may all rest assured that there will be no "old folks at home" among those who have become accustomed to attend the *songs* of the Wildwood society. For a real, good, old fashioned time, don your clogs or fantastic shoes and join the old girls and boys tonight in their merry chase at Stekl's hall hall.

COUNTY ASSESSORS

List of Those Who Will Go Out May 1st to Begin the Task of Getting Valuation of Properties.

Assessors have been elected for each town in the county with the exception of the town of Banning, for which town an assessor is to be appointed. This is on account of the fact that Banning was separated from Finlayson town at the election, March 12th, and no opportunity was given for the election of an assessor.

Auditor Hamlin has issued blanks for the assessors' bonds and has instructed them to appear at the court house on the 24th to secure the necessary supplies, and also to receive instructions.

The following have been elected for the different towns named, and they will begin their labors on the 1st of May:

Bremen James Randolph
 Birch Creek Peter R. Overton
 Barry W. R. Newman
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 Brookton L. L. Johnson
 Clover A. B. Irons
 Chengwaukon Frank Drimal
 Danforth Axel Friesendahl
 Dell Grove John J. Work
 Finlayson John Wyethen
 Hinckley Chas. Wendland
 Kettle River Jon Zimmerman
 Kerrick Elick Torrell
 Mission Creek L. J. Ouradnik
 Munch Anton Racer
 Norman Wm. Norrip
 Partridge O. B. Dibble
 Pine Lake Joe L. Weber
 Pine City John C. Nordstrom
 Pokemana Ed Chmelik
 Rock Creek Gust Anderson
 Royerton John R. Johnson
 Sandstone J. P. Baile
 Sturgeon Lake Anton J. Polowski
 Windemere O. Olson
 Pine City Village Otto Kowalek
 Hinckley Village Joseph Tew

Medical Society Meeting.

Press, Lindstrom.—The Chicago and Pine County Medical society held its quarterly meeting Tuesday at Rush City. It was the first meeting held after the death, in January, of the president of the association, Dr. Barnum, of Pine City, and the vice president, Dr. McLaren of Sandstone, presided. Resolutions of confidence and commendation for the dead president were passed and Pine City was selected as the place of holding the next meeting. This will be the summer meeting and will be attended by families of members for whom an elaborate program will be arranged. Dr. Taunton was the only member present from this part of Chicago county.

Farewell Party.

A farewell party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. E. Lotz at their home Tuesday evening. About 15 of their friends were present and presented them with a beautiful painting and a gold bowed spoon. A luncheon was served and the evening was spent very happily.

THRILLING ADVENTURE

Roy Wiseman Nearly Loses His Life in the Cold Waters of Snake River by the Capsizing of a Sail Boat

The overturning of a sailboat nearly proved "30" for Roy Wiseman Monday evening. As it was he received a severe chilling and an experience he will never forget.

Wiseman came to town in a sailboat Monday for the purpose of getting some supplies for the Pokegama Sanatorium. On account of the high wind he deemed it best to remain here until evening when he expected the wind would subside sufficiently for him to return home in safety. Although the wind was blowing a fierce gale when evening came Wise and Fred Roslitch, who contracted to paint the sanatorium buildings, started out on their hazardous journey. They had gone as far as Faulkner's place, about four miles up the river, when the sail swerved suddenly and knocked Redlich over into the water. He secured a hold on the side of the boat, and after Wiseman had pulled him into the boat they went to the Faulkner house, where Redlich remained.

Wiseman again started out, expecting to return later for Redlich. He had gone only a short distance when he found he could not control the boat on account of the water freezing to the ropes. He also found that the water on the center board had frozen while making the landing and he could not drop it into place. He was in a serious predicament. Suddenly a heavy gust of wind struck the sail and the boat turned turtle, throwing Wiseman out and consigning to the bottom of the river a quantity of supplies, including a crate of about twenty bloodied fowls from the Hill henery of St. Paul. Wiseman went down twice and then managed to reach the boat. He climbed onto the same but soon found that it was drifting away from shore, so, rather than take almost sure chances of freezing to death, he jumped into the icy water and made for shore. It is said that he swam about 50 feet, and when about to give up, he struck terra firma and walked to shore, going to the house in which his companion had sought refuge.

The overturned sail boat was found Tuesday morning near Mission island, several hundred yards from where it capsized.

Farmers' Meeting.

A farmers' meeting will be held in Stekl's hall next Tuesday afternoon commencing at 2 o'clock. The meeting will be of special interest to those who do dairying in connection with their other farm work.

A. J. McGuire, superintendent of the Northeastern Experiment station, will deliver an address on dairying, and Prof. J. M. Drew will be here to address the audience on poultry raising. These gentlemen are interesting and instructive speakers, and the occasion will be one well worth attending.

This should be a splendid opportunity for the farmers' better halves to learn the gentle art of caring for barnyard fowls, and there should be a large attendance of ladies. Take the children along, also, for they may get some idea during the course of the speakfest which might be a valuable asset in their stock of knowledge.

Mr. McGuire is well known throughout the state as a man of broad experience in farm affairs, and one who contributes largely to the weekly papers in this part of the state. The speakers should be accorded a goodly audience. Every body is invited, and seats are free.

M. B. Horley came down from Duluth Wednesday to be present at a case to which he was attorney for the defendant. The case was set for trial yesterday but was postponed on account of the length of the case now on.

COURT PROCEEDINGS

Court Convenes Tuesday With Judge Stolberg, of Harris, Presiding—Two Cases Already Disposed of.

The spring term of the district court is now in full swing, and the differences of those who so will it are being thoroughly aired in court.

According to an act of the legislature, neither Judge Crosby nor Judge Williston could act in the capacity of judge at this term on account of the creation of a new district. Pine county was formerly in the first judicial district, but is now a part of the 19th district. Goodhue, Dakota, Washington, Chicago, Kanabec and Blue counties formerly constituted the first district, but the four last named were set apart as a new district, for which a new judge had to be appointed. P. H. Stolberg, of Harris, was accordingly handed the plum, his appointment being made by Gov. Johnson just recently. Heretofore Judge Crosby will preside in Goodhue and Judge Williston will serve out his present term in Dakota county.

Owen George, who has been court reporter for Judge Crosby for many years, will continue to report for Judge Stolberg. Their terms of court do not conflict, so Mr. George can attend to the cases in both districts.

The first case to come up for trial at this term was that of Mrs. L. M. Barrie vs. the Northern Assurance Co. Mrs. Barrie sued for the amount of insurance on her stock of millinery which was destroyed during a fire in the F. L. Denbie building at Sandstone. The fire occurred three years ago, and the case was set for trial last year, but was laid aside at that time. The trial lasted nearly all of Tuesday afternoon, and after being out but a short time, the jury handed in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for the sum of \$1,063.62. It is thought that the defense will not rest, but will present its case to the higher court for further consideration. The plaintiff's attorneys were L. H. McKusick and Thos. McDermott, while M. H. Boulett and N. H. Clarke looked after the Assurance company's interests.

In the case of Mrs. Lavina Blakardson vs. W. G. Davidson, which was presented Wednesday morning, the jury decided in favor of the defendant. The principals in the case are brother and sister and the contention was over the working of some land belonging to the plaintiff. L. H. McKusick was attorney for the plaintiff and Schmidt & Newman defended the case.

Wednesday afternoon a jury was empaneled for a case which promises to be fraught with much interest as it involves a big sum of money. It appears that one Gustave Luuedo lost a leg while in the employ of the Kettle River Quarries Co., at Sandstone, and he is suing the company for \$25,000. This is perhaps the biggest personal injury suit that has ever been brought before the bar in Pine county, and strong legal talent has been retained on either side. The attorneys for Luuedo are W. E. Dodge and McElwee & Halehan, and the defense has secured E. C. Kennedy, H. D. Bailey and Judge Gray to look after its side of the case. It is likely that the case will not rest with the jury until tomorrow.

The criminal cases have been set for trial tomorrow, but they may have to be postponed until next week on account of prolonged civil cases.

Held at Hinckley.

Marshal Lee Webster arrested two horse thief suspects at Hinckley on Tuesday. Sheriff Jones, of Linton, N. D., sent the telegram instructing the Hinckley official to hold the suspects until his arrival. When arrested, Frank Pierce, one of the accused, confessed to having stolen a team of horses, and admits that he sold them in Pollock, N. D., while in a state of intoxication. His companion is a half breed Indian. Pierce is 19 years old and his parents reside in Hinckley.

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