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Co. Board Proceedings

Official Minutes of the Board County Commissioners of Pine Co., Minn.

Auditors office, Pine City, Minn., Dec. 11th, 1916, 7 o'clock p. m. The Board County Commissioners met this day pursuant to adjournment, all members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. The petition of Henry Klynstra to be set off with his lands from school district no. 8 to school district no. 43 was on motion ordered granted. The petition of Jerry J. Broz to be set off with his lands from school district no. 94 to school district no. 75 was on motion ordered granted.

An order of consolidation of district no. 52 with school district no. 29, was presented and read on motion ordered placed on file.

The petition for change of boundaries of Districts no. 20 and 52 was denied.

A resolution of the State Highway commission apportioning the sum of \$40,000 to Pine county for the year 1917, the same being to apply on State rural highway no. 43, also for maintenance of State roads and the balance to be applied on the Federal Highway through this county was presented and read on motion ordered placed on file.

Specifications for bridge across Ditch No. 4, were presented by Engineer and on motion ordered placed on file. A communication from the school boards of school district No. 85 and 102, stating terms of agreement between said districts for division of funds was presented and read, and on motion the same were duly approved.

The bond of the Pine County Abstract Co. was presented and on motion the same was ordered approved.

It was ordered on motion that the County Auditor be directed to advertise for bids for the county printing for the ensuing year. The application of Paul Steffes for abatement of tax on real estate, in town of Hinckley was favorably recommended to the State tax commission.

The application of O. J. Woodbeck, Town of Brook Park, for abatement of tax on personal property was favorably recommended to the State Tax Commission.

A plat of Block No. 5, Townsite of Cloverton, was presented to the Board and on motion the same was duly approved.

In the matter of the hearing on petition for a judicial road through the counties of Washington, Chisago and Pine, it was ordered on motion duly recorded and carried that the County Attorney, W. S. Ervin be directed to attend the said hearing and oppose the establishment of said road.

It was ordered on motion that the County Auditor be directed to request C. C. Nagel, Bridge engineer of the State Highway Commission to personally make inspection of bridge no. 650, on State Rural Highway No. 43, Sec. 9, Town 44, Range 18.

A Resolution of the Board, accepting the work on the contract of C. J. Pearson and Co. for the construction of State Rural Highway, No. 43, deducting the sum of \$1400.20 for such work as may be necessary for proper completion of said road, was unanimously adopted.

The sum of \$130 was on motion appropriated the town of Karriek from the General Road & Bridge Fund, of the county.

Ordered on motion that the Board inspect two bridges constructed by Iowa Bridge Co. in the vicinity of Rutledge village during the present year.

(Continued on page 6.)

Who Struck Billy Patterson?

The state supreme court this week reversed a decision of Judge Stolberg in regard to the ownership of 80 acres in the town of Pokegama.

This land is in section 32, town 39, range 22.

When the original holder of the government patent deeded it some years ago he described the land as being in section 32, town 39, range 19, Pine county, Minnesota.

There is no section 32 in town 39 19 in Pine county or in Minnesota and Mr. Hunt, who was the register of deeds at that time, entered the deed under the index of the land in 39-22 which the grantor owned.

Later Greely and McKusick secured a quit claim deed from the original holder of the government patent to the land and sold it. Since that time the holder of the title under both the first deed and the second have transferred title several times.

Clifford Lstourell recently became the owner of the land under the transfer from the Greely-McKusick deed and started proceedings to secure a Torrens title. The existence of other claimants for the land was discovered and suit was started to quiet title.

The present owner of title under the original deed is Flora A. Hobart and she defended her title just prior to the death of Judge Stolberg, who decided Lstourell's title was the good one. A request for a new trial was made by Mrs. Hobart and denied by Judge Nethaway and an appeal taken to the supreme court.

The supreme court is now virtually decided in favor of Mrs. Hobart and ordered a new trial. From this decision Judges Bunn and Holt dissent. The supreme court holds that the entry of the original deed under the index of the land the patentee evidently intended to convey was sufficient notice to the purchaser under the Greely-McKusick deed.

Judge Stolberg held that as the original deed did not describe the land in 39-22 it was not a legal transfer of that land.

The decision has been the topic of conversation during the past week among lawyers and those interested in land mortgages and transfers. —Hinckley Enterprise, Dec. 22.

Pine City School News

Contributed by members of the Junior Class

What does ammonia smell like? Ask the Janitor reporter.

Dorothy Fitzgerald was ill the fore part of last week, and absent from school.

The next number of the 6th year course will be held January 6th in the high school.

Miss Herrick received a large Charlie Chaplin doll from her admiring algebra students.

We wish to correct a mistake in our Basket Ball wrap up of last week. Emery Blanchard made 6 points and Fred Brandes 2 instead of 4 points each.

We wish to thank Mr. Allen for his kindness in granting us the use of electric light bulbs for lighting up the rooms we used at our party. We also wish to thank Wm. Korbel for putting in the lights.

Lorena Bede, Frances Crowley, Caroline St. Germain, Kathryn Fisher, Dorothy Laing and Ethel Carlson have been instructing the various classes during Miss Bush's absence. Frances received a two pound box of candy from her admiring scholars.

The program in the high school assembly room, which was held last Friday afternoon, was very well conducted. The high school orchestra was undoubtedly the best number. The boys and girls glee clubs rendered several very good selections. "The Other Wise Man" produced by the normal students was very well delivered.

Arnold Kowalko injured his foot during manual training class one day. He had just sharpened a chisel which he dropped and in preventing it falling on the cement floor he thrust out his foot to stop it. The chisel cut through his shoe and

into his instep, severing a vein which bled freely for a long time. Dr. Wiseman was summoned but was not really needed. But Arnold saved the chisel from another sharpening.

Last Thursday evening the "Crimson and Grays" entertained the basket ball team, the orchestra and faculty. Games were played until about 11 o'clock after which refreshments were served and with Mr. Avers acting as toast master, the members of the faculty contributed to the program. The gymnasium had not then been completed so the games were played in Miss Bush's room. The decorations were pretty and in some instances unique. The Junior boys cleaned up the halls and by noon the next day no sign remained of the party. This is the first party given by a class this year and the first ever given in the high school building.

Small Tracts Wanted Near Town I have some inquiries for five and ten acre tracts near Pine City. What have you to offer? Also have a party who desires to exchange a stock of general merchandise for farm land. F. R. Duxbury, Pine City, Minn.

Read the advertisements in The Poker.

Want Good Road Along G. N. Too

Through the promotion of A. E. Eddy of this place a meeting was called at Braham, Tuesday, Dec. 19th for the purpose of getting the boosters together and start the work towards the obtaining of the state road along the Great Northern to Duluth, connecting with the already built state roads as far as Cambridge.

Representatives from here and from all the towns south on the G. N. were present and after the meeting all of the boosters left, alert and ready to go ahead with the proposed work.

Another meeting is set for about the first week to be held at Braham, when the proposition will be put before boosters from towns along the line north of this place as well as representatives from automobile clubs of Duluth and the cities, and the disposition will be discussed more deeply.

The road can be obtained and is a great necessity. A. E. Eddy, who always up with the times, deserves credit for starting the work. M. G. Scofield and G. E. Nelson were also present at this meeting. —Brook Park Banner, Dec. 22

Commissioners Will Meet Monday

The county commissioners will hold their first meeting of 1917 at the court house next week, beginning at 1 p. m., Tuesday. There

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will be two new members, N. A. Anderson taking J. E. Johnson's place on the board after upwards of a score of years' service by the latter, and Jos. Zimmerman of Willow River stepping into Fred Degerstrom's shoes. The first session of the year has lots of important matters to come before it and will likely last a couple or three days. One of the first things will be the election of a chairman to succeed Mr. Degerstrom, who has held that position the last couple of years.

Farmers Will Aid on B. P. Roads A number of farmers and business men met in the Farmers Feed store last Friday, and organized a Threshing Machine Company. This organization will be a great benefit to the farmers of this community and will undoubtedly do considerable work for the betterment of roads and will undoubtedly do considerable work for the betterment of roads and will undoubtedly do considerable work for the betterment of roads. —Brook Park Banner, Dec. 22.

F. A. HODGE, PRESIDENT P. W. McALLEN, VICE PRESIDENT J. D. BOYLE, CASHIER W. C. HODGE, ASST. CASHIER

BANKING OFFICE OF

First State Bank Pine County

Pine City, Minn., December 26, 1916.

To the Public and Our Patrons: Twenty years ago today this bank first opened its doors for business. On this anniversary we desire to extend thanks to our many customers for their liberal patronage and for the many proofs of confidence in us they have shown during these years.

Many of our patrons whose names are on our books today opened their accounts twenty years ago and have kept them with us continuously to date. We shall endeavor in the future to merit a continuance of this confidence. To aid us in this we invite the friendly criticism of our patrons and we shall be grateful for any suggestions that will tend to help us give better service.

To those contemplating opening a bank account we extend a cordial invitation to call upon us, satisfy themselves as to our responsibility and learn something of our business methods.

We aim to give the same careful attention to small accounts as we do to large ones. We pay four per cent interest on time deposits. We make loans on short time commercial paper and on real estate and chattel security at reasonable rates and on liberal terms. We write fire insurance in the best companies, we represent guaranty companies and furnish bonds for public officers, guardians, executors, etc.

Our stockholders and directors, Mr. P. W. McAllen, Mr. Fred A. Hodge, and Mrs. Carrie E. Hodge, are all home people who feel their responsibility to our depositors and whose financial responsibility can be ascertained by examination of the public records.

The profits of this bank are spent at home. Its notes and mortgages are kept here. Since the opening of the bank it has been the custom of its directors to make a careful examination of its assets at least three times a year and pay the bank for and hold individually all notes and securities they considered of doubtful value. Since opening its doors this bank has made seventeen thousand loans, amounting to one million five hundred thousand dollars, but notwithstanding the large number of transactions, less than one hundred and fifty dollars worth of the notes so taken by the directors remain unpaid. We think this a remarkable showing and proof positive of the thrift and prosperity of our County and the honesty of its people.

With wishes that the coming New Year day bring you happiness and prosperity,

Yours truly,

FIRST STATE BANK PINE COUNTY.

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Text of Wilson's Note to Warring European Rulers

Washington, Dec. 21.—The notes to the belligerents are professed with the instruction by Secretary Lansing to the American ambassador presenting them.

The President of the United States has instructed me to suggest to the belligerents that they should be presented immediately to the minister of foreign affairs of the government to which you are accredited.

Notes to Central Powers. At the point of the text vary in the notes to the Central Powers this paragraph follows next.

Paragraph for Allies Only. In the notes to the Allies the following paragraph takes the place of the one just quoted.

Then all the notes proceed identically as follows: The President suggests that an early cessation be sought to call out from all the nations now at war such an avowal of their respective views as to the terms upon which the war might be concluded and the arrangements which will be deemed satisfactory as a guaranty against its renewal or the kindling of any similar conflict in the future, as would make it possible frankly to compare them.

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NEUTRALS OF EUROPE ARE CONSIDERING PEACE MOVE

Berlin, Dec. 21.—A peace movement is being considered by Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Switzerland in which they wish the cooperation of Holland, according to the Danish paper of the 20th.

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SCANDINAVIAN NEWS

DENMARK.

The introduction by popular vote in Denmark of the proposal to sell the Danish West Indies to the United States...

RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS IN SWEDEN, NORWAY AND DENMARK—OF INTEREST TO THE SCANDINAVIANS IN AMERICA.

SWEDEN.

By renewing the franchise of the Stockholm System company of three years the city authorities have put their stamp of approval on the novel plan...

NORWAY.

A report to the department of commerce from Consul General E. H. Demmon at Christiania says: "The extent to which Norwegian industry has expanded under the stimulus of the war is demonstrated in a compilation...

A LEADING NORWEGIAN LIBERAL LEADER.

Hakon Loeken, who said that, although the wording of the statute was irritating, it would be a tactical mistake for the entire allies to decline to consider the proposal...

MEMBERS OF THE CREWS OF THE GERMAN AUXILIARY CRUISER BERLIN.

A man at Heidelberg had to go to the Erla hospital on account of a bad swelling on the left side of his face. An operation had to be performed, and the cause of the trouble was found to be the point of a knife-blade an inch and a half long and half an inch wide...

THE FIRST TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM OF NORTHERN NORWAY HAS BEEN DEDICATED AT VEVSUND, SVALBARD.

The first tuberculosis sanatorium of northern Norway has been dedicated at Vevsund, Svalbard. The building is said to be the longest wooden structure in Scandinavia. All beds are located on the sunny side of the building. Most of the heavy work is done by means of electric energy.

CONTROL OF THE EXTENSIVE COAL MINES OF SPITSBERGEN, A GROUP OF ISLANDS IN THE ARCTIC OCEAN BELONGS TO NORWAY.

Control of the extensive coal mines of Spitsbergen, a group of islands in the Arctic ocean north of Norway, has passed from the hands of a Norwegian syndicate. The Spitzbergen mines were understood to have been bought by Norway.

DR. KRIST OJERST, PRESIDENT OF THE REGIONAL COAL CONFERENCE AT BERGEN, NORWAY.

Dr. Krist Ojerst, president of the regional coal conference at Bergen, Norway, has been decorated by King Haakon of Norway with the order of St. Olaf...

GATFRED LEONARD NYSTEN, A STOCKHOLM DRUGGIST, LEFT AN ESTATE VALUED AT \$200,000.

Gatfred Leonard Nysten, a Stockholm druggist, left an estate valued at \$200,000. He will provide for his daughter, amounting to \$20,000.

He looked his fill upon the broad expanse of the great river—the beautiful river, as the Indians called it, with its hurrying, tumultuous waters, the shallow ferry, slowly crawling across, the green sere, below—and then...

"That's the cabin wain General George Rogers Clark used to live—pore old critter."

"I've offended you..." "I have made a mistake," he said indignantly. "I see that I have been ridiculous."

"Can you think that I do not realize how hard life is up here on your frontier? It calls for all that is best and bravest in us to go on fighting against heat and cold and hunger, actual want..."

"I'm afraid I don't know just what you're talking about..."

He wheeled and saw Lydia Cramer. The girl broke into a laugh at the expression of utter surprise.

"Why, yes, we've been here for weeks. Father's gone to see some friends at Fort Steuben tonight, but he'll be back soon."

She ran on in naive delight at seeing David once more. They were living in the cabin near the inn, she said, and she begged Lydia to come and talk with her till her father returned.

"Do you believe that, in bitter-spirit, David will marry Lydia and become involved with Cramer?" Lydia asked, much as she hated the spy now.

He had not seen him since that night when he had watched the three conspirators in the smithy.

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that she could say. Her hands pressed almost at the threads in her lap, and a moment he regarded her with his lips went on, passionately as before, but with an undercurrent of pleading that softened her heart.

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THE PEACOCK

By SAMUEL MCCOY

Recounting the adventures and love which came into the lives of David Larence and Antoinette O'Bannon, in the days when pioneers were fighting red savages in the Indiana wilderness

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LOVE-MAKING

Do you enjoy the spectacle of a pretty girl coquetting with a man who loves her devotedly and is cut to the heart by her teasing? Then you'll find stirring interest in this installment.

It is the year 1811, and David Larence, called English wacker, comes to Corydon, Indiana territory, intending to make an old enemy. He makes friends with Patrick O'Bannon and charming "Tainette, his daughter, and with Job Cramer and his daughter, Lydia, recently from England.

CHAPTER VI

David was thoughtful, while the light beamed on him.

"Governor Harrison," he said, "may I have a word with you alone? I have some information that I wish to disclose now."

"The young governor bowed assent and led the way to a quiet corner. David told the story of the meeting between Crammer and Scott Harrison's face grew grave.

"Why did you not report this sooner?"

"I wrote at once to John Tipton at Vincennes," David answered. "I told him to tell you immediately. I have had no reply from him, but I think he supposed that he gave you the message. John's handler with his hands there with a poor Governor Harrison, as you know."

"Yes," smiled Harrison, "I'm sorry for him to write. But I fear that he has not received your letter even yet. He has been away on a hunting and shooting trip for weeks. I myself am going away for a while, but I think before General Gibson, who is in charge of the territory in my absence, will direct him to write you."

"You interrupted me—be quiet, or I won't finish. You lied about the estate all right, but you were lying to the contrary side your words—"

"His name was Timon, that one moment of mine; he had friends who lived on him—I beg your pardon."

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CHAPTER VII

The Course of True Love. Corydon lay looking under the sun of August. Along the parched ground the waves of heat, the lazy breeze, dashed indignantly. Tainette was looking at the arrival of a great box from New Orleans, brought by letters to Louisville, loaded by letters to Corydon, and delivered to the patient case. Tainette cried out in surprise, "What a box from the great South!"

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"Yes," smiled Harrison, "I'm sorry for him to write. But I fear that he has not received your letter even yet. He has been away on a hunting and shooting trip for weeks. I myself am going away for a while, but I think before General Gibson, who is in charge of the territory in my absence, will direct him to write you."

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HOW MEN MAY HELP FORTGER

Habitually Used, It Is Said to Become Imbued With the Spirit of a Signature.

"Did it ever occur to you," said a treasury official, "that a forger has half his work done when he can get hold of the identical pen with which the owner of the signature habitually writes?"

A man that has been used by a man in writing his name hundreds of times, and never used for anything but his name, writes the name habitually. It gets imbued with the spirit of the signature. In the hands of a forger it will preserve the characteristics of the original. The reason for this is that the point of the pen has been round down in a peculiar fashion, from being used always by the same hand and for the same combination of letters. It will therefore hold at a wrong angle or forced on lines against its will. It cannot guide the sensitive hand of the forger, who attempts to write the name.

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We sincerely thank you for your friendship and your patronage during 1916. May our friendly relations grow stronger and more cordial during 1917, and may the new year bring you a full measure of prosperity and happiness.

JOHN JELINEK
THE TAILOR
PINE CITY

Where you get quality and fit at the lowest possible prices.

Your New Year

Wont be as happy as your friends hope it may be without health. And if you need medicines to aid your health remember that we shall be pleased to serve you—happy to help make your New Year brighter and happier by helping to make it a healthful one

"The Art Stamps Store"

Breckenridge Pharmacy
Main Street Pine City

We Wish You A HAPPY NEW YEAR

and trust that you may be made strong and healthy every day of 1917 by eating Fara's meats.

Fara's Meat Market

Henry Fara, Prop. Pine City, Minn.

Resolve to Live Well During 1917

Not by paying high prices for your groceries but by getting the best for your money.

We Wish You a Happy New Year

SCHUMACHER'S
PHONE 37

We aim to handle reliable quality goods. That's why people like to trade here.

Begin the New Year by getting your Printing done at The Poker office.

Pine City News

Mrs. August Carlson spent Christmas with relatives at Willow River.

For rent—4 room cottage. Apply to Mrs. M. L. O'Brien. Adv.

Make Prochaska's pharmacy the Rexall drug store, your drug store.

Miss Ida Knudsen spent Christmas with relatives at Sandstone.

Miss Jessie Stephan who teaches at St. St. Paul is home for the holidays.

Wm T. Sandberg of Albert Lea is spending the holidays at the Panther home.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Berkey of Hustletown, Christmas morning.

Clerk of Court Gunn was with friends and relatives at Sandstone over Christmas.

Phil Hamlin is home from his teaching duties at New Ulm to spend the holidays.

Rev. E. C. Parish and wife were here to call on relatives and old friends, yesterday afternoon.

Robt. Clark was home from his work at Pine Island to spend Christmas, returning Tuesday.

Miss Ella Lahody arrived home from Pipestone last Saturday for a 10-days vacation from her school work.

Miss Emma Prochaska arrived last Saturday for a 10-days vacation from her studies at the Winona normal.

The big New Year's dance, to be given by the Naval Militia will be one of the finest ever given in the Armory.

The Messes Grimm visited at the home of their sister, Mrs. Henry Glasow, at Cloquet from Saturday to Tuesday.

Your prescription work always carefully attended to when you have them filled at Prochaska's pharmacy.

Miss Edith Hamlin and Frank Hady are home from their studies at Hamline university for a two weeks vacation.

Eddie Challeen arrived home last Thursday from Collegeville where he is attending St. John's college for a ten day vacation.

Spencer Daniels was down from Crosby, where he is employed in a bank, to spend the week end and Christmas with his folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Patien were up from St. Paul to enjoy the Christmas tide at the home of her parents, the John Biedermans.

Miss Vera Borchers came home last Saturday, from Minneapolis where she is taking kindergarten training, for a 2-weeks vacation.

Swan and Irving Isaacson of Fillmore county were visitors the later part of last week at the home of their brother Oscar, north of Greeley.

Miss Julia Dosey who teaches at Ironwood, Mich., and Miss Esther who is taking a business course at St. Paul, are home for the holiday vacation.

Misses Kathryn Bele and Deborah Roberts came home from Stout institute at Menomonie, Wis., the latter part of last week, for a 2-week vacation.

Albert Klanda and wife went to Minneapolis last Saturday to visit relatives, Mr. K. returned Tuesday while Mrs. Klanda is remaining there this week.

Geo. D. Nicoll has purchased the old Herman Johnson 80, near his home farm, from Messrs. Harte and Duxbury who have been its owners recently.

J. J. Iten and wife came up from St. Paul last Saturday to visit at the home of her parents, the Ignatz Chmeliks, north of town, expecting to return home today.

Wm. Pennington, who is employed by the Tri-State phone company in the southern part of the state, was home over Christmas, returning to his work, Tuesday.

Hon. J. Adam Bede arrived last Saturday from the Ohio region for a 10-days visit with his family before going onto the lecture platform in vicinity of Chicago.

Mrs. Jos. Youngbauer returned, Tuesday, from spending Christmas at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Carlson, at St. Paul, whither they recently moved from here.

Miss Anna Fisher, who teaches 4 and 5 grade work at Mazeppa, and Miss Irene Fisher, who teaches languages at Owatonna, arrived home last Saturday for a 2-weeks visit.

Wanted—man who desires to make over \$125.00 per month. Write us 10-day for position as salesman every opportunity for advancement. Central Petroleum Co., Cleveland, Ohio. 18-1p.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kaye returned from St. Paul, last week Wednesday, where Mrs. Kaye spent 4 weeks in St. Luke's hospital, where she underwent an operation for gall stones.

Miss Julia Neville came home last Saturday from Canby where she is doing grade work, to spend the holidays. Miss Lucy, who is teaching at Lefor, N. D., did not come for the holidays.

Leonard Machart, who runs the Brook Park Banner, was here Tuesday. He is giving that town one of the best small-town papers published anywhere in this region, his friends here are glad to note.

Harvey Heath and family came down from Tamarac last Saturday for a visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. Huber, Mr. Heath returning Monday while Mrs. H. and the children are remaining for a couple of weeks.

Lloyd Sherwood arrived home, last Thursday, from Battle Lake, where he is employed on a county drainage project, to remain a couple of weeks. Kirby Hady, who has been doing farm work in the same region, arrived Saturday to spend the winter.

Frank Knight, who is engaged in banking in North Dakota, spent the week-end at the home of his grandparents, Capt. and Mrs. Seavey, accompanying his mother, Mrs. Knight, and sister to Taylors Falls Tuesday, for a visit at their old home there.

Blank Bros. brought in four wolves that were killed near Pokeema lake last week to claim the \$12.50 bounty on each. There are apparently more wolves than ever this year and hunters are finding the bounty as convenient to get as it is handy to have.

Mrs. Albert Moe and Mrs. Margaret Davis up came from Owatonna last Saturday for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Fayne. Mrs. Moe returned home on Tuesday but Mrs. Davis will likely not return to her employment there until next week.

The Naval Militia will give a big New Year's dance in the Armory, Monday evening, Jan. 1, 1917. The big hall will be hung with the national colors and strings of electric back of the draperies will cast a beautiful effect. The Crescent orchestra will play and tickets are

Miss Retta Bede, who teaches domestic science at Mound, and Miss Helen, who is attending college at Cornell, Ia., arrived last Saturday for the holiday vacation, the latter being accompanied by her friend, Miss Margery Borne of Lorain, Ohio, who is her holiday guest.

Misses Eleanor Clark, Mary Roberts, Dorris Allen and Julia and Clara Rybak, and Messrs. Godfred Nelson and Agnes Chmelik are home from the State university from Friday last to Tuesday next. James Clark was also up from Saturday to Tuesday, being accompanied by his wife.

The Claus Freemans came down from Sandstone last Friday to visit relatives west of town, Claus returning on Monday. Joe Resch, brother of Mrs. Freeman, who has been in the Pacific northwest the past nine years, arrived home Christmas eve for his first visit in that time, expecting to remain with his parents for an indefinite time.

Several of the E. M. Power Co. force have been away for Christmas—Miss Mulhern at her home at Wykoff from Saturday to Wednesday, Miss Ward with her folks at Little Falls from Saturday to today, Mr. Harvey with friends at North Branch and Mr. Campion at his old home at Austin. Miss Hegatom from the company's Brahm office is assisting on the work here this week.

There is a story going about that the Naval Militia division of this place is to be disbanded. Investigation proves that this is not absolutely correct—but the division probably will be mustered out unless more recruits are found to fill the holes in the ranks which have brought it below the required strength. The division has provided some excellent timber for Minnesota's naval strength and Commander Eaton is very desirous of seeing it maintained if it can be recruited up to the required strength.

To our faithful old friends and our cherished new friends and to those whose friendship we strive to deserve, we tender these

GREETINGS

May the New Year be a prosperous and happy one, may joy and recompense come and may it be our privilege to add to your success.

Pine City Mercantile Company
PHONE 33-3 THE RELIABLE STORE THE BIG STORE
We Guarantee the Goods That We Sell To Be Just as Represented

Miss Kathryn Bele is home from her studies at Menomonie, Wis., will be up again for New Year's definite stay and Dr. Bele came up her studies at Menomonie, Wis., Frank arrived last Friday from this morning from Butterfield, where he is practicing dentistry, to remain until after Jan. 1st.

BIG NEW YEARS DANCE

TO BE GIVEN IN

The Armory, Pine City
By the Naval Militia
Monday Evening, Jan. 1, '17

This will be one of the finest dances, in every way, ever given in Pine City. The hall will be beautifully decorated and every care taken to please the dancers.

**Pine City Crescent Orchestra will Play
TICKETS, \$1.00**

REVOLUTIONARY EFFORTS OF THE YEAR 1916

Great Conflict Rages With Increased Intensity—Rumania, Fifth-Nation to Enter Struggle, Overrun by Central Powers—Teutonic Allies Make First Peace Proposals—United States Faces Several Crises.

THE EUROPEAN WAR

Those who are engaged in or are viewing at close range the titanic conflict in which all Europe is involved...

On July 1, the British and French launched their great drive on the west front...

Europe continued its blood-letting throughout the first day of the year 1916...

During the month of September, the Russian army in Galicia...

WAR AND THE UNITED STATES

Diplomatic difficulties growing out of the war in Europe continued to confront the United States government...

On July 1, the British and French launched their great drive on the west front...

INDUSTRIAL AND ECONOMIC

The outstanding feature of the year in the United States was the general strike of the 400,000 members of the four great railway brotherhoods...

The demands of the four brotherhoods, representing conductors, firemen, conductors and trainmen, first made upon the railroads early in 1915...

POLITICS IN OTHER LANDS

The Bata fairs in Holland, the establishment of a coalition government in Greece...

An official mandate, issued March 22, announced the abandonment of the Dublin and the restoration of the republic in Ireland...

DISASTERS ON LAND AND SEA

Thousands of lives were lost during the year by the sinking of merchant ships...

February 2, the Japanese liner Daijichi was sunk in a collision and 160 lives were lost...

Verdun Attack Laid

Early February, the Germans, after a lull in the fighting, resumed their offensive in Galicia...

MEXICO AND UNITED STATES

The relations of the United States with Mexico became more strained during 1916 than at any previous time...

THE LAWMAKERS

Congress was in session continuously from January 4, when it resumed after the Christmas holidays...

POLITICS IN UNITED STATES

The presidential election and the campaign which preceded it occupied a large part of the attention of the people of the United States...

HEAL YOUR SKIN TROUBLES

With Cuticura, the Quick, Sure and Easy Way. Trial Free.

Great Sea Battle Fought

The first great naval battle of the war was fought by the German and British sea fleets off the coast of Gallipoli...

General Carranza

General Carranza, head of the de facto government in Mexico, began his administration in Mexico...

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