

Local Happenings

Harry Petesch is home from his work in Minneapolis to spend Christmas with his folks.

Army Kowalski came down from Ely Tuesday to spend Christmas at the home of his mother here.

Jess Ingram was down from Sandstone for a visit the forepart of this week.

There will be a meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. J. D. Boyle Tuesday, December 24th.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Emil Weisberger at their home in Mota, N. D. on December 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Carlson and children will spend Christmas at the home of his parents in Rush City.

Maurice and Galen Werner are home from St. Thomas college to spend the holidays with their folks.

The Frank Cassady's in Hinckley will spend Christmas at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Wm. Koepel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Collins will spend Christmas at the home of their son Wm. Collins, in Virginia.

Auditor Edin and son Adrian will spend Christmas at their home near Superior.

Mrs. A. Cranton went to the Twin Cities last week, going down for an operation.

Joe Carlson of the Pine City Mercantile Co. will spend Christmas at the home of his mother in Harris.

Miss Mable Ehrle is expected in a few days for a visit at the Gust Christopher home.

Alex McLean came up from Minnesota Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays at the Robert Wilcox home.

Mrs. Catherine Daley, son Edward and daughter, Miss Mary Daley, are here from Keewatin to stay at Christmas at the Henry Daley home.

Frank Hady is home from St. Cloud to spend the Christmas season with his mother and sister. He is a professor in the St. Paul high school.

Julius and daughter, Miss Julia, will spend Christmas at the home of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Fred Jespen, at Ironwood, Mich.

Lee Arden left for the Twin Cities the latter part of last week and expected to go on to Indiana where he planned on working.

Miss Violet Jensen, who is a junior at Macalester college, is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jensen.

Chas. Shober of St. Paul is here for a visit over Christmas at the home of his sister, Mrs. Elmer Carlson.

The members of the Presbyterian Sunday school enjoyed a Christmas program and tree in the church last Tuesday evening.

Miss Mildred Sobotka is home from the St. Paul university to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ottocar Sobotka.

Miss Lucille Gottry is home from the state university to visit over the holidays with her folks, the W. P. Gottry.

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CHALLEEN'S SPECIALS Week of Dec. 26th to Dec. 31st Inclusive

GROCERIES

Strictly Fresh Eggs in Cartons.....	per dozen	45c
Pine City Creamery Butter.....	per pound	44c
Sanitary Soda Crackers, 4½ lb Caddies.....	60¢ value per caddie	45c
Hubbard Squash.....	25c "	each 12c
Tall Cans Milk.....	15c "	per can 10c
Monarch Gatsup.....	30c "	per bottle 19c
Fancy Blue Rose Rice.....	10c "	per lb 8c
Santa Clara Prunes, 40-50 size.....	29c "	per lb 14c

MEATS

Prices Good on Friday and Saturday—Dec. 26 and 27 Only
Small Dressed Hens.....
Leaf Lard.....
Pork Roasts.....
Hamburger, half Pork, half Beef.....
Wide Lean Bacon.....

We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year

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for the worse a few days ago and her condition was critical the fore part of the week. At this writing she is reported as being improved and feeling a little better.

Mrs. Gladys Hultman, secretary to R. P. Allen at the Pine Power company, will spend Christmas at the home of her parents in Hibbing.

Elmer Lageson will be up from Minneapolis to spend Christmas with his wife at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wandel sr.

John Kodym and family left for Chicago, Ill., a few days ago where they will visit over the holidays with relatives.

Roy Wiseman arrived from British Columbia last Saturday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Robt. Derr, and his brother, Dr. R. L. Wissner.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boo and baby daughter will spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Boo's parents in Elkton.

Miss Hazel Johnson is home from her teaching at Centerville to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Allen.

Miss Harrist and Agnes Husted of Chicago, soon expect Ted Husted enterained a number of friends at dinner at their home last Sunday evening and a very enjoyable social evening was had by those present following the dinner.

Myron Alles is home from the state university and Miss Della Allen from her teaching at Hopkins to spend the holidays at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Allen.

Miss Carrie Husted and Mr. and Mrs. John Cleary of St. Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wandel sr.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mullins of St. Paul and Miss Elizabeth Stephan are expected to spend Christmas at the home of the girl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stephan.

Mr. Johnson of Litchfield is visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. James Wandel jr., Mrs. Rogers, sister of Mrs. Wandel, is also here for a visit at the Wandel home.

Miss Alice Hawley and Sam Raymond came in from their home east of town last Sunday and will visit until after New Years day at the home of their parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Wissner.

Miss Catherine Hawley is home from her teaching at Rosemount to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Sheriff and Mrs. R. J. Hawley.

Fred Brandes came up from the state university to spend the holidays with his wife at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Therrien.

Through an error in ledge news last week we had Mrs. Brekke listed as secretary of the Eastern Star Lodge. Miss Brekke is treasurer and Ira Holm is the secretary of the lodge.

Clarence Gottry left for Webster, Wis., last week where he has gone to work for Spence Daniels. Spence recently purchased a gasoline and oil business, both wholesale and retail.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McNeal and child of Hinckley are spending Christmas at the home of their parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Talom. Miss Adelia Talom is also home from Minneapolis for a visit.

Mrs. Alice Huber, who has been Miss Deborah Roberts is home from the St. Paul university to spend the holidays with her folks, the W. P. Gottry.

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Miss Louise Woeschke arrived yesterday to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Woeschke. She is attending the Iowa state teachers college at Cedar Falls, Ia., and will graduate in June. She spent 12 weeks this fall teaching in Mason City and was highly complimented for her efficiency there as a teacher.

Elmer and friends held a surprise party on Catherine Hoeller, last Thursday evening, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoeller, the occasion being the young lady's birthday. The young folks had a very delightful evening playing games and delicious refreshments were served. Miss Catherine was presented with a nice birthday present by her friends there.

Miss Cecile Hurley is home from the state university to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hurley. Miss Margaret is home from her teaching at Rochester and Miss Catherine Hurley, who teaches at International Falls is also home for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Lon Cleary of St. Paul and Ben, and William Hurley of Sandstone, and Miss Marie Vaughn will also spend Christmas at the Hurley home here.

Harry Wener was a visitor between trains yesterday. He was on his way to Minneapolis from Hibbing where he has been doing some electrical work for the General Electric Co. of Minneapolis. He has been employed by that concern since less

than a year.

Walter Huber, Mrs. A. W. Gunn, Miss Clara Kain and Miss Alice Petesch drove to the Twin cities last Thursday in the Gunn car. They found the roads extremely slippery which made driving anything from a pleasure.

Miss Carrie Boyce is home from Hamline University to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boyle. Lorrie Boyle is also expected home from his work in Minneapolis to spend Christmas with his folks.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Brissett and baby son Cleopat are spending Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Da'Yay. Miss Winifred and Alice Daley are also here from the Twin cities to spend the day with their folks. John is also home for the holidays.

Lester and Ernest Wissner are home from Macalester college for the holidays. Mrs. Carl Wallace and son Bobby arrived from Duluth Tuesday for a visit at the home of her parents, Judge and Mrs. Robert Wissner. Mr. Wallace is here for Christmas.

Roy Carlson has had two dinner parties during the past week when he entertained a number of men at a Lutefisk dinner. There was a gathering of Scotch, Irish and other nationalities present and they outdone the others when it came to consuming this delectable food.

School closed last Friday for the Christmas holidays and will reopen on Monday, Jan. 5th. Most of the grades had Christmas programs in the afternoon and a program was also given by the high school students. The students left Saturday for their several homes where they will spend the holidays.

Edmund Lowe, son of Rev. John Lowe, has attained a place on the Honor Roll of Hamline University for the mid-semester. This is a distinct honor since an unusually high scholastic average is necessary to obtain such a record. There were only fifteen students of the entire enrollment of six hundred who received a place on the Honor Roll. Mr. Lowe ranked second in his class with three other juniors.

DRY GOODS

Boys' Sheep-Lined Coats.....	\$12.00 value	each \$9.39
1 lot Mole Skin Pants.....	\$3.00 "	per pair \$2.19
1 lot Men's Moose Hide Moccasins.....	\$2.50 "	pair \$2.19
Home Spun Yarn.....	\$1.40 "	per lb \$1.29
Bungalow Cretonnes.....	.25c "	per yard .22c
Heavy Brown Coat Covering.....	.60c "	per yard .48c
Wool Sacking, 54 inches wide.....	.90c "	per yard .79c
1 lot Horeshide Mittens.....	\$1.50 "	per pair \$1.19

Rubbers and Overshoes

1 lot 4-inch Red Gold Seal Rubbers.....	\$3.75 value,	per pair \$3.29
1 lot low Red Gold Seal Rubbers	2.50 "	per pair 2.19
1 lot 1-buckle Overshoes.....	2.25 "	per pair 1.98
1 lot small sizes, Women's Over-shoes, no buckle, \$1.80 value, to close out at, per pair 50c		

An Appreciation

May Christmas bring you joy, and the New Year increased happiness and Prosperity.

In expressing our deep appreciation of your good will during the last twelve months, we also wish to convey our desire to serve you even better in the year to come.

Christmas Greetings

We Wish
All Our
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A
Merry
Christmas
and
A
Happy
New
Year

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It is but natural at this season of Happy and Heartfelt Greetings, that our thoughts should turn toward those with whom we have been so pleasantly associated during the past year.

Allow us then, to thank you for the spirit of friendly confidence reposed in us—to express our appreciation of the patronage with which you have favored us, and to wish you, in all sincerity, a Merry Christmas and Increased Happiness and Prosperity for the year Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-five.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1924

The Message of the Bells

RING, ring, O bells of Christmas-eve,
Your joyful message far and wide,
Through all the land proclaim
This is the blessed Day of days
When here, to walk earth's troubled ways,
The Lord our Savior came!

O with pomp and splendor fine,
But 'mongst the lonely sheep and lone,
And cradled in the straw,
He came, and low the path He trod
Always—the greatest gift from God
Anerring world over now.

At the dawning eastern skies
The Wise Men watched the Star arise
That heralded His birth,
When man and all God's creatures dumb
Should dwell upon this earth.

In brotherhood when war shall cease
And Love and Universal Peace—
Their banners white unfurled—
With tenderness and gentle sway,
They watched "Mercy," shall for aye
Prevail throughout the world!

Ring out your message, O ye bells,
Your cadence silvery forth.
The gracious times to be
Whose sweet companion, angel faire,
O'er this land and everywhere
Shall brood perpetually. —Louisa C. Cook.

Theatre Notes

Thursday—

Rex Beach's "The Spoilers." Where men of iron and reckless beauties flock at the lure of wealth
One of the most romantic periods of history brought to the screen with this great cast.

Milton Sills, Anna Q. Nelson, Barbara Bedford, Robert Edeson, Noah Beery, Louise Fazenda, Rockville Fellowes, Wallace MacDonald, Mitchell Lewis, Fort Sterling, Sam de Grasse, Our Gang Comedy, "High Society," MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Saturday—

Richard Talmadge in "The Unknown." Dick outdoes himself in this latest production. The big punches pack tremendous wallop. Thrills galore; rapid fire action; appealing romance.

Will Rogers in "Hustling Hank."

Sunday—

Alice Joyce in "The Green Goddess."

Thrills and romance crowd this spectacular motion picture adaptation of the famous stage success. Here's a masterpiece of entertainment.

Also a comedy "Hot Sparks."

Tuesday—

Eleanor Boardman in "Three Wise Fools."

The joy picture—it has charm! It has humor! It has thrills!

"Into the Net," Family Night.

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTES
Father Leo, Pastor

Services at Pine City next Sunday at 9 o'clock. Sunday school after services.

Services at Berwyn Sunday at 10:30.

LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES
Paul Heineke, Pastor

English services with Holy Communion next Sunday Dec. 28 at 10:30 A. M. Announcements to be made Saturday.

German services with Holy Communion Jan. 1, at 10 a.m. Announcements to be made Wednesday Dec. 31.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOTES
J. G. Reinhardt, Pastor

Services next Sunday Dec. 28th: Sabbath school at 10 a.m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p.m. Preaching service at 7:30 p.m. Everybody welcome.

We acknowledge with many thanks a gift box of fine apples from Mr. A. M. Challeen for the Children's Christmas.

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OME, ye happy girls and boys,

Lend a hand for Christmas joys.

Christmas-time is well begun

With our jolly loads of fun.

Blow the horn and scoot the sled

Till it's time to go to bed.

Christmas must not pass away

Without sports both glad and gay.

Christopher G. Hazard

Christmas Land

OH, Christmas Land is not so far,

Within the little living room,

There's a fireplace well,

Right in the middle stands a tree

With crimson tinsel gay,

Apple-orange and Venetian is the fruit

In frosty Christmas day.

An apple and an orange grow

Upon the same green bough,

A sago and a rocking horse,

A squirrel and a monkey,

And nuts and sparkling sugar plums,

And dried fruit states and bones,

And candies with flavors deep

Like pears on winter moon.

But only little boys and girls

That always mind at school

And know their daily lessons well,

And say their prayers every night,

Can hope to join the band

Of those who have the best.

That grows in Christmas Land,

—Mina Irling, in Kansas City Star.

The Nativity

"Twas Christmas Eve and bitter cold,
The wind had ceased to blow;

Hail burst in the snow,

And over field and fern,

It was a bitter cold evening.

For it was the birth of Christ again.

Lo from the lighted window came

And over the cottage roof behind,

Perhaps the very same that stood

Over Bethlehem of yore,

For it was in earth once more.

—Mabel Moore, in Munsey's Magazine.

Japanese Proverb

He who can see three days ahead

may be rich for three thousand years.

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Armory, Pine City

Wednesday Eve, Dec. 31

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Christmas is the time for the expression of kindly sentiment. Permit us then to express our hearty good wishes, and the hope that in the years to come our relationship may be even more cordial than in the past.

Basketball

Between the Old Rivals

Rush City

VS.

Battery "E"

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Saturday Eve, Dec. 31

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