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## Oldest Pioneer.

At an unknown hour between 11 o'clock Wednesday night and sunrise yesterday morning, Life's spark left the frail frame of the most aged resident of the 13 Towns and, perhaps, of Polk county.

Wednesday night Magnild Margrete Adklev retired in apparently good health about 11 o'clock, but yesterday morning her son, Martin, and his family were astonished to find the aged lady dead in bed. Life had passed from her without the sign of a struggle, the hands lying in a reposeful position. Everything indicated that Death had come to her in her sleep without previous warning.

She departed within three weeks being 95 years of age. She was born in Norway, and came to America in 1852, her husband dying sixteen days after their arrival on this side of the water. Mrs. Adklev and family moved directly to Wisconsin, where she died in 1871, when she removed to Taylor county, this state; later coming to Fosston with her son, Martin, to whom she has lived for many years, in 1884.

Since then she has resided here and in five years ago was in possession of her faculties. Then she lost her sight, but her hearing remained acute and she was always sensitive to receiving any assistance about the house, preferring to guide herself with her senses of hearing and feeling.

She was deceased and was universally regarded as a kind mother and affectionate friend. She leaves three children: a son, Martin E., at whose home she died, Annie Adklev, of Lanesville, Wis., and Peter, who lives in Taylor county. Her longevity is so remarkable when it is known that her mother died when almost 100 years of age.

Her funeral will take place from the Methodist church next Monday afternoon at 10 o'clock.

## Shelvin's Advantages.

The publisher of the Beltrami County Record at Shelvin, Iver A. Krohn, is doing excellent work for his town in bringing to the public the advantages of that thriving place as one of the best for home seekers to leave the city to take the overland route to the reservation lands soon to be opened on the North Shore.

Shelvin has a superior class of business men; they are looking for the set-back and are prepared with their stocks to furnish them with all supplies necessary. They have also given considerable attention to roads, thereby providing important elements to prospective homesteaders living from there to the reservation lands close by. The town with good schools leading out from it is bound to receive the patronage of those who have means.

They are showing Shelvin's location upon the railroad and its relation to these lands can be seen at this office.

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Value of Goodness.

An article isn't good, it is dear at a price. But, there is a constant joy in anything that really satisfies—as instance, "Golden Grain Belt" beer. Beer is an article that should be in every family. The best, brewed of barley malt and hops, comes from Minneapolis Brewing Company. Order in pints or quarts. Order of dealer, or Alexander Thompson, Fosston.

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## PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Possumus Quia Posse Videmur.

JESSIE FAGERSTROM, Editor.

Kent Lohn will edit this column next week.

Homer Peterson of Miss Benson's room is sick with measles.

Ed Erabander and Edna Bennington have entered the fifth grade.

Albert Fife has left school.

Phinney Larson is absent from school on account of sickness.

Soren Oystad is absent from school.

The tenth grade are now reading Coriolanus.

The school board have been almost daily visitors at the school house this week.

The tardiness of the last two weeks has increased considerably. The record of the first two weeks of this month had but two tardy marks, while the last two are increased by eighteen more.

The electric bells which have been out of order for some time are now doing their proper work.

The zoology class have completed the study of articulated animals, and are now studying worms.

A board meeting was held at the office of S. S. Stadsvoild last Wednesday. An uncommonly large number of bills were acted upon and allowed. The matter of procuring a janitor competent to care for the steam plant which has just been put in was discussed but no definite action was taken. It was decided to connect the school building with the city powerhouse by telephone and S. S. Stadsvoild was appointed a committee of one to look after the matter.

Miss Julia Hitter's resignation as teacher in room 4 was presented, but action thereon was not taken.

Carpenter Bishop spent several days last week making repairs about the school building. The floor of the attic over the high school room was lathed and a mason is now wanted to plaster the same. The storm windows were put on, the basement windows closed and numerous other repairs made.

Messrs. Stadsvoild, Lohn and Bennett spent a good part of last Tuesday morning at the school house experimenting with the steam plant.

If your children are fretful, peevish and cross, mother the same, ditto the boss, it would seem proper to give them all Rocky Mountain Tea, 35 cents.—P. M. Mark.

## The Farmers' Elevator Difficulty.

Nearly 200 stockholders in the Fosston Farmers' Alliance Elevator Co. met at the fire hall last Monday afternoon to consider the best ways of meeting the crisis brought about by the creditors of that organization through the apparent mismanagement of that organization's business during the last three years.

At this meeting it was found that there was a total outstanding indebtedness against the company of \$9,184.33. To partly offset this, the elevator property, and the farm and town belonging to the manager (who has agreed to turn the same over to the bondsmen) is valued at \$6,102.63, leaving the company still behind \$3,081.70. To meet this and raise money to continue the business it was decided to take a subscription among the stockholders, 77 of whom signed the list, the majority of them putting down their names for \$50 each. However there were many who refused to sign and the difficulty is a long way from settlement as yet.

The situation is most unfortunate for all concerned. Mr. Leet was evidently brought into his present state of bankruptcy through no intentional dishonesty upon his part; in fact he is the greatest sufferer, losing as he does a good farm and valuable town property. But, while the case is not as bad as at first reported, it is a serious affair and will probably have the effect of doing away with the organization which has for years past handled a large share of the grain marketed in Fosston and has unquestionably been a source of profit to those interested therein.

During part of the time in which the shortage has occurred, O. K. Lakness was in partnership with Mr. Leet and is possibly responsible, to a certain extent for the losses to the company.

The president of the company, Gust Eklund, informs THE THIRTEEN TOWNS that they expect to meet all obligations and either dissolve the company, or reorganize and continue the business with a clear sheet.

Since the above was put in type, it is learned that a meeting of the stockholders of the company met yesterday and levied an assessment of \$5 each to cover all shortages.

Gust Eklund was appointed receiver, under \$5,000 bonds, to collect all moneys due the company. B. S. Bennett acting as assistant.

It is proposed, as soon as the present difficulties are settled, to reorganize under the state laws, and the elevator will be opened once more for business at an early date.

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Call at THE THIRTEEN TOWNS office, opposite the postoffice, Fosston.

If you wish to look over the plat schedules, you can do so at the same place. Don't wait until the last few days before going over the ground. There are many good claims to be had in those townships.

We pray the Lord send him not who asketh thee to take something, said to be the same as Rocky Mountain Tea made by the Madison Medicine Co. 35c.—P. M. Mark.

## Taken up.

Came to my Inclosure on Nov. 5, one brown and spotted bull, about one and one-half years old. Owner will please call prove property, pay charges and take same away.

PAUL OLSON, Sec. 16 Tp. of Rosebud

Dated Nov. 12, 1900.

## Cattle Taken Up.

Came to my premises the early part of October, 3 heifers and 2 steers, all yearlings. 4 of them are red and one white and red. Owner please come and prove property and pay expenses.

OLE NORBY, Sec. 13, town of Sletten.

## Wanted.

A competent person as janitor at the Fosston public school building.

Apply to:

S. S. STADSVOLD, Pres., or B. S. BENNETT, Clerk.

## Population.

These are the figures representing the total population of Polk county according to this year's census, against 23,186 ten years ago, as given out by Census Director Merriam. Next week the population by towns will be made public.

The population of White Earth reservation is placed at 3,486.

Red Lake County, 12,195.

Norman County, 15,045.

## Feed Mill.

I will start the feed mill at the rear of Ostrem & Hatfield's blacksmith shop, on Saturday, Nov. 10th, and will continue running the same throughout the winter months, grinding all kinds of grain for stock feed. I invite your patronage. Try my work.

A. A. HONAAAS.

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