# OLD SOLDIER AND CITIZEN JOINS THE SILENT MAJORITY

C. W. McKay Stricken on the Street Sunday Noon. Genial Station Agent Was a Popular Public Speaker. Leaves Four Children.

Our community was shocked on Sunday by the news of the death of Captain Charles W. McKay, which occurred about 12:50 Sunday afternoon, August 25th, in Beckett's drug store. Death came without warning, as he was apparently as well as ever when he entered the drug store a few moments before. Heart disease was the cause of death. Feeling faint he had sat down on a sofu in the front of the store and asked that they might call a doctor. He then over and when Drs. Fowler and Knickerbocker arrived a few minutes later he was dead.

Sunday morning he was eating breakwith Postmaster Arundel in the New Hotel and Mr. McKay said; "Harry, I am going to do something I never did before." Asked what it was he said "Take a Finnish bath." Arundel said he had taken them lots of times aud was asked to accompany him, which he did. They left the depot at 9:45 in company with W. B. Hetherington and walked out to Joe Martilla's place about a mile west of the city. Mr. McKay seemed in the best of spirits and on the way out gave them a short sketch of his early life, part of which is embodied in the sketch below. Soon after reaching the farm they went into the bath room And took the hot bath. Once he asked "Harry" how he felt, saying that he felt tired out. After they had dressed Arundel walked around the place a little but the Captain went in the house and on the lounge by an open window. He soon complained of a pain in his chest and shifted his position to get out of the draft, and for a while felt easier. Later the pains returned and they suggested getting a doctor. At first he demurred to this but afterward thought it might be well to get a physician and Hetherington went to neighboring farm to call a doctor, but the pains easing up he was recalled and they started for town. He came home feeling pretty good with the exception of a pain between his shoulder blades. They arrived here at 12:15 and McKay went to his room and Arundel went to dinner. When he was on his way back to the office he met McKay at Remillard's corner, who said he was going to see Dr. Knickerbocker. The latter was out and 'he walk down to Beckett's drug store.

Word was immediately sent to his daughters in Washington and Califor-nia, but Mrs. Bailey, who had made her home with him, had gone to St. Paul on a visit and could not be located until Tuesday. She arrived here yesterday morning. The funeral' was held this morning at the M. E. church and the sermon was by Rev. L. Dodds, a brother Mason and a comrade in the G. A. R. The casket was banked with a profus-sion of floral offerings from the orders, the railroad employees and from individuals. The pall bearers were all Bro. Sir Knights, as follows: W. H.

Pattison, George Dudrey, R. Arundel, T. J. Sharkey, C. F. Hall and Eugene Daniels. The funeral was under the auspices of the Masons, but the bers of the G. A. R. and the W. R. C. attended the funeral in a body.

The remains were taken to Fergus Falls this afternoon on a special train which left at 1:00 o'clock, and the bur-ial was beside those of his wife, who died December 23, 1909. A large num-ber from this place went over on the special, which will return this evening.
Charles W. McKay was born on a

farm in New York state on January 25, 1847, and his early life was spent there When 14 years of age he began work in a harness shop but the following year President Lincoln's call for additional troops appealed to him and his boss, and the latter locked up shop, "threw the key in the well" and enlisted. Mr. McKay was assigned to Co. C, 154th New York Vols. and served through the war, taking part in the battle of Gettysburg and a number of other fierce engagements and had the rank of captain when mustered out.

After the war he took a three ourse in medicine in a New York hospital, but the profession did not appeal to him and he learned telegraphy and for 12 years worked on the Pennsylvania system. He then came west about 30 years ago and went to work on the Northern Pacific, first as a clerk in the office at Fargo, later being given the station at Perham, and soon afterward was transferred to Fergus Falls, where serving about six years at Walipeton and coming to Staples about 4 years ago to take charge of the local station.

He was twice married. He was married in New York state, and to this un-ion were born three daughter, Mrs. Chas. Ridgeway and Mrs. Blanche Dampier, Spokane, Wash., and Mrs. Romaie Bailey of Staples. On July 23, 1890, he was married to

Miss Elizabeth L. Thomson, at Fergus Falls, and by this union had one daughter, Miss Mildred, who is now making her home with the family of her aunt, Mrs. F. G. Dumble, of Los Angeles,

Mr. McKay was a man of broad mind and liberal education (mostly acquired out of school), and a good conversation-alist. He was genial and companionable and had many fast friends in all places where he had been located. He was an enthusiastic member of the G. A. R. and for nearly three years has been the commander of the local post. He said some time ago that he was preparing a biographical sketch of himself and asked the writer concerning its publication, but we believe it was not completed when death cut off his career. In his death the railroad company has lost an able, efficient servant, the Grand Army a worthy and able commander, and Staples has lost a valued and res-pected citizen.

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#### AUCTION CALLED OFF

D. L. Frazier, proprietor of the Evergreen Dairy, has closed a deal with S. Dower, Sr., for the rent of his dairy farm a mile north of the city for another term of years and will continue in the dairy business. As a result of dollar bill and get The Herald for sales months. That will give you all the political news during the entire camplace next Thursday, September 5th, as stated last week. Parties who had

#### OPENED MONDAY.

The Farmers' Potato Warehouse Co. opened for business Monday as an-nounced last week. Five patrons with potatoes arrived during the day, viz. Frank Debly, Henry Davis, Mrs. Clifford, H. Vogt, and John Senti, the latter having the largest load, 50 bushels. The price was low, as the potatoes are still green and can not be shipped and must be disposed of locally. Farmers who desire to secure the highest prices for potatoes should wait until fully ripe before digging.

The machinery in the new warehouse has not yet been installed but will be ready for operation early next week. A 5-horse motor will run the sorters and the elevator. There are a number of bins for the various kinds of potatoes and the total capacity is 30,000 bushels.

The company will also buy potatoes at Philbrook and Aldrich. For the outlying points a portable gasoline engine will be used for power and one of the sorters will be taken to these places when a quantity of potatoes are to be marketed. The company already has a number of car loads engaged to be delivered at Aldrich, that being the nearest shipping point.

#### PREMIUM LIST OUT.

The premium list of the Morrison fair to be held at Motley September 18, 19 and 20, has been published. Copies may be had by addressing the secretary at Motley. We notice that John Berglund is superintendent of the live stock and poultry divisions, with A. H. Henwood and J. C. Martin as assistant superintendents. W. N. Morey is superintendent of the horticultural W. N. Morey department, with Frank Sears and Georgo Brown as assistants. The premium list covers a wide range and the premiums are liberal.

### DOINGS AT THE UNIQUE

The motion pictures at the Unique last night depicted life in the Sing Sing prison, the penitentiary of the state of New York, The pictures will be shown again tonight. mission 10 and 15 cents. A lecturer accompanies the pictures and explains them.

## CHICKEN SUPPER.

The ladies' aid of the Congregational church will serve a chicken supper on Saturday evening, October 19th. Price 25 cents. Particulars will be given

#### NOTICE

There are still a few of our subscribers who are a year or more in arrears. If you are one of them, dear reader, please call and make payment. an't pay all pay at least part of it. Or at least drop us a word when you can The post office department is very strict in regard to delinquent subscrib tions and there is nothing for us to do but obey its orders.

Canton Presto No. 16, I. O. O. F., will have drill practice this evening (Thursday) on Bro. H. C. Miller's lawn, at 7:30 o'clock. All Odd Fellows and their ladies are invited.

#### STOLE HORSE AND RUGGY

Last Sunday morning when Anton Mertens, a farmer a couple of miles west of Staples, arose and went to the barn to do the chores he found one horse missing, and further search revealed the absence of a set of harness and the buggy. A man he had hired to help a couple of days during threshing was also gone and he immediately surmised that the man might know something about the missing horse and buggy. This s picion was further confirmed by Mr. Merten's little son, who said the man asked him the night before if the horse would drive single. the theft was sent to neighboring towns and during the day Sunday the horse and rig were found near Mot-It is probable that the man feared that he might be detected with the stolen rig and abandoned it where found, and probably made his escape on some east bound freight.

#### VERNDALE

From the Sun-

Luke Moffat is building a house for C. W. Guetchko on his farm about five miles east of town. The building will be 28 feet square, two stories high aud when completed will be among the best farm houses in that section of the coun-

Mary Hipple returned home from Staples last Thursday where she had been visiting relatives for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Pettit went out to Vining Saturday afternoon and spent Sunday at the Hazlett cottage. They

returned home Monday.

The Frazier family came in from the lake Friday and remained until Monday. They will close their cottage for the season about the first of September.

Mrs. S. H. Parker, of Brainerd, and her sister, Mrs. Wm. McChestney, of Williston, N. D. arrived here Tuesday afternoon for a few days visit at the ome of the former's daughter, Mrs. E. H. Frazier.

Mrs. H. A. Allen and daughters Dorathy and Etta, will leave today for week or ten days visit at the home of her brother, Victor Landquist at Valley City, N. D. The writer has taken Dr. Corse's place on the "night shift", but as this is our first experience we hardly expect to fill the bill as completely as

the genial doctor. Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Scheidecker and children, of Bloomer, Wis., visited here the past week at the home of Mrs. Scheidecker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Andrews. They made the trip by auto and left for home yesterday.

Mrs. Chas. Reiniri visited her parents. Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Lalone a couple of days last week while on her way home to Northfield from Devils Lake, N. D., where she had been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. W. Neil. Mr. Reiniri has sold out his business at Northfield, but has not as yet decided on another location. Mrs. C. A. Corse and son Carl re-

turned home Tuesday from Puyallup, Wash., where they had been visiting for several weeks past at the home of

J. M. Glunt came up from Brainerd last night to attend the funeral of Comrade McKay.

# TWO STAPLES C MARRIED

Ahlbrecht-Morrison: Do Celebrated First of Week M. Spooner Married

A very pretty wedding took place at we the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ahlbrecht, Tuesday afternoon, Aug. 27, at 2 o'clock when their eldest daughter Miss Lillie was united in marriage to Mr. William T. Morrison, Rev. T. J. E. Wilson of St. Albans Episcopal church officiating.

The decorations used in the parlors

were pink and white streamers, pink and white sweet peas and astors, while in the dining room the color scheme was green and white.

The bridal party took their place beneath a bell of pink and white sweet peas to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, played by Mrs. J. T. Drawz. The bride wore a beautiful dress of crepe de chene trimmed with embroidered net and a bridal veil caught with swansonia and cream roses. She carried a shower bouquet of cream roses. The bride was attended by her sister Ida, who wore a dress of pink crepe de chene trimmed with messaline and lace; she also carried a bouquet of pink roses. The groom was attended

by Ernest Clary.

A dainty luncheon was served, Mrs. Ahlbrecht being assisted by Miss Marie Young, after which the newly married couple departed on No. 14 for Minneapolis, Duluth and points in Wisconsin. The bride was attired in a suit of dark blue. They will be at home to their many friends at Staples after Sept. 20th.

The bride and groom are very popular young people and enjoy the esteem of a large circle of friends, who join with the World in extending to Mr. and Mrs. Morrison their most hearty congratulations and best wishes.

On last Sunday morning, August 25th, at 9:30 o'clock, Miss Winnifred Dowe and Mr. Willard I. Miller were joined in marriage, Rev. L. Dodds, of the M. E. church at this place officiating. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sampson Dower, Jr., two miles north of the city, and was witnessed by the members of the two families and a few intimate friends. After the usual reperiod of congratulations a bounteous pl

#### TO STATE FAIR FREE

The prize of a free trip to the Minesota state fair this years offered by the state fair board to a rural pupil in each county for the best essay on "Our Home Farm," was won in Todd county by Elmer S. Alexson of Clarissa. The judges were County Chairman Edward H. Thiel of the board of county com-missioners, V. S. Knutson, county superintendent of schools, and Rudolph

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From the Mercury;

Mrs. B. E. Thomas and children came down from Staples Friday for a visit with relatives. They returned Monday. with relatives. They returned Monday.
Mrs. M. J. Palmer and daughter Lex,

vere at Brainerd Friday.

Rev. C. H. Blake and his mother Mrs. C. Blake, returned Friday from Backus where they have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Johnson. Mrs. D. J. Gillis arrived Tuesday

from Superior, Wis. for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Francisco. She and her daught

# LOCAL SCHOOLS WILL OPEN TUESDAY

When the big bell on the High school building rings at 9:00 c'clock next Tuesday morning about 900 expectant pupils will begin another year's work in the Staples schools. Some will dread the day; many will give it a genuine wel-come, and perhaps the greater number will engage in their studies with a sort of happy indifference.

A pleasing innovation, appearing in the curriculum for the first time this year, is the manual training department, 8th grade-Maude Kayanagh 7th grade—Mamie Cosgrove. 6th grade—Nora J. Smith.

5th grade-Mattie Bennett. 4th grade-Blanche E. Twitchell.

2nd grade-Ruth Hilliard.

Normal and Prin .- Christine Nilson. 8th and 7th grades-Theresa Kraemer. 6th grade-Leah B. Credicott.

3rd grade-Helen Hamp. 1st grade-Edna K. Schwendeman LINCOLN BUILDING