

VIRGINIA.

(Range Bureau of the News Tribune.)

VIRGINIA, Nov. 23.—Hon. O. D. Kinney, of Athens, Pa., has been in town a number of days during the week. Mr. Kinney is president of the First National bank of this city and is also interested in the Virginia Improvement company and the Virginia Light and Water company.

Peter Shipley has left for North Yakima, Washington, where he may decide to locate permanently. Mr. Shipley was one of the pioneers of this town as he came here in 1892, when the town was platted.

City Clerk A. E. Bickford has returned from Clear Lake where he has been hunting for a few days. Mr. Bickford succeeded in bagging a fine buck.

An outside party is negotiating with a local real estate firm for the lease of some lots on which he intends to build a roller rink. It is understood that the rink will be on Central avenue.

The Mesaba block is now almost completed. It will be occupied by a saloon and restaurant.

Several of the lady friends of Mrs. A. E. Bickford tendered her a pleasant surprise on the occasion of her birthday yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Bickford was presented with a set of hand painted bread and butter plates. Those present were: Mesdames Julius Shanedling, Louis Cohen, Peter Shipley, Herman Nathanson, J. M. West, F. J. Rinnert, Robert Lindsay, J. M. Martin, Frank Skinner, James Lavick, M. E. Hendricks, Owen Gately.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers will give a dance in the Minnesota block Thanksgiving night. Flaaten's orchestra will play.

Twenty-five new members were initiated into the local lodge of the Modern Woodmen last evening.

The second number of the Roosevelt lecture course will be presented at the Roosevelt auditorium next Thursday evening, when the Emily Waterman Concert company will appear.

A steam heating plant is being in-

stalled in the First National bank and post office building by Contractor A. F. Thayer.

Contractor Sampson has received the material for the construction of the new Methodist church on Cleveland avenue. This will replace a structure that was recently destroyed by fire. The building will be one of Menominee red veneer brick with cut stone copings, water tables and keystones. When completed it will be one of the finest church edifices on the ranges.

The recent cold spell has covered the lakes with ice, and there is now good skating on both Virginia and Silver lakes. Sleighing is very good, there being over six inches of snow on the roads.

The local high school football team do not expect to play any more games this season. A game with Grand Rapids was scheduled, but the local grounds are in no condition for a game, being covered several inches with snow and ice. The boys are now getting in condition for the winter's basket ball.