

# RANGE NEWS.

## SETTLERS ON STURGEON RIVER LANDS SUFFER FROM RAINS AND MOSQUITOES

Creeks Are Swollen Until They Overflow Their Banks and Roads Are In Such Condition It Is Impossible to Use Wagons to Haul Provisions to the Farm Houses—Supplies Are Low and Suffering Will Follow Unless the Situation Is Relieved In a Short Time.

**RANGE BUREAU OF THE NEWS TRIBUNE**  
EVELETH, SEPT. 9.—  
Ex-Alderman Cyrus Olson, who was in the city this week, reports much water in the Sturgeon river country where he has his homestead. He says he has never seen anything like it since he came to this part of the state and that there is actual suffering among the settlers on account of the impossibility of putting in sufficient provisions. "Winter broke up so suddenly," he says, "that the settlers were taken unawares and were unable to haul in supplies in big quantities as is the custom. Since then the roads have been so bad that stuff could not be hauled."

**Flour Supply Is Low.**  
"The result is that many settlers find themselves with not more than a hundred pounds of flour on hand, while the condition of the country prevents them from obtaining more. To make matters worse the mosquitoes have hung on two months longer than usual. "The same conditions prevail to a large extent in the country nearer Eveleth."

"Not in the last decade has there been such high water in the stream that drains the V shaped area between Eveleth, Virginia and Mountain Iron. This stream passes through the farm of William Haenke, the pioneer experimenter at Wolf."

**Small Creek Is Swollen.**  
"It is usually only a small creek. Now, however, it has swollen to the

size of a river by the rains of last week and with bridges and curdure gone it has been almost impossible for the farmers in the locality to get around at all. The water was flowing over the Grant road at three places last Sunday.

"The problem of getting supplies for their camps on the D. M. & N. extension from Alborn is one that Drake & Stratton are solving in heroic fashion. Supplies of all kinds are being shipped to Jim on the Missabe and from there teamed to the St. Louis river over a muddy road for a distance of three miles and then rafted twenty miles down the river, which at present is rapid on account of the heavy rainfall of last week."

**Roads Are Badly Cut.**  
"The effect of the heavy teaming is to cut up the road so that wheels go in to the hub. Especially was this the case early in the week."

The settlers at Jim and others interested in the district petitioned some time ago for a bridge over the river at the point where the Drake & Stratton supplies are put on rafts.

The bridge was desired because settlers living on the right bank of the St. Louis in the big bend section are obliged to cross the river in row boats, some of them once and some twice, in order to reach markets.

From Hon. Niel McInnis, however, it is learned that it is not the intention of the county board to build a bridge at this point, but to extend the road

from Shaw westward and southwestward, following the course of the river along its right bank into the settlement mentioned.

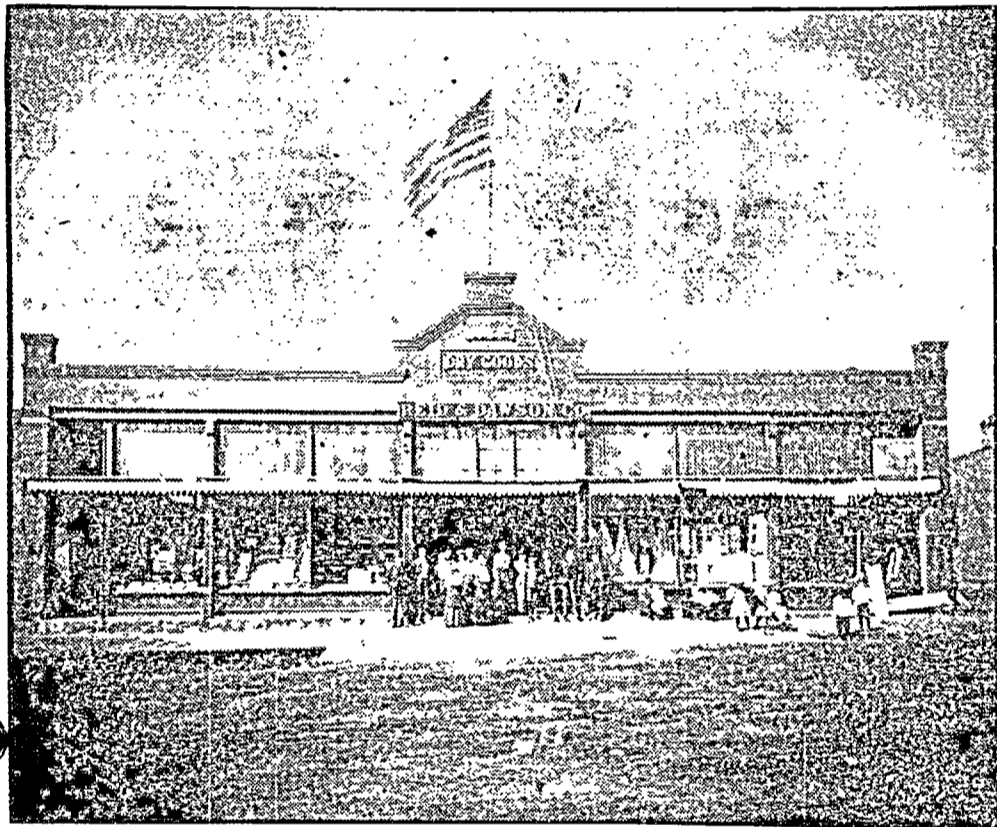
By this means the homesteaders would have access to Eveleth by way of Shaw. Shaw would thus become their station when intentions were to go to Duluth or otherwise south along the Missabe, while Eveleth would become their natural trading place. In pursuing this plan the commissioners would be but taking the natural advantage of the physiographic conditions.

**Roads for Homesteaders.**  
Homesteaders on the right bank of the river would be as separated as before from their friends living on the left bank, but they would have natural access to Shaw and Eveleth. The dwellers on the left bank, which includes those living along the present road that extends west from the Jim postoffice, are to be provided with a road north to Shaw.

This road, it is understood, has been authorized by the commissioners, but it is in Commissioner Ryan's district and his foreman does not appear to be active in pushing the matter.

As the soil of the district about Jim is unusually fertile there is no question that the returns from drainage would be many fold. The soil is a black loam with a large amount of earth mould and along the St. Louis river supports several varieties of hard wood timber, including oak and maple

### EVELETH'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORE.



"One of the largest and most enterprising department stores in the northwest is found in Eveleth, in the 'Eveleth Big Department Store,' conducted by the Reid & Dawson company. It is situated on Grant avenue, and the accompanying picture will give some idea of its extent. Messrs. Reid & Dawson know the department store business down to subsoil. They have been in it all their lives, and the extent of their business in Eveleth is such that they can buy goods to the best possible advantage. They take pleasure in affording their patrons a

very liberal share of such advantage, and therein lies the secret of their great success. Quality of goods and right prices have given the firm a standing in months that some firms would be proud of having achieved in as many years. The size of the store is 73 1/2 feet on Grant avenue and is 75 feet deep. There is a broad balcony in the rear of the store that provides much additional space. The firm carries a heavy and well assorted stock. It consists in part of ladies' cloaks, ladies' suits, underwear, millinery, boys' clothing, infant's wear, etc. These

lines, are found displayed in a large balcony in the rear of the store. The balcony increases the floor space materially. The office of the company is found there also. The company in addition to the foregoing lines carries full lines of crockery, hardware, kitchenware, furniture, wash goods, silks, dress goods, domestics, carpets, rugs, oil cloth, etc. The Reid & Dawson company is prepared to furnish a house from cellar to garret. The firm also carries full lines of boots and shoes and gent's furnishings—goods. This is a metropolitan store in every respect.

**BUILDING IS WANTED BY EVELETH PEOPLE**  
**RANGE BUREAU OF THE NEWS TRIBUNE**  
EVELETH, SEPT. 9.—  
A tax payers committee composed of Solomon Sax, J. C. Poole and J. H. Harding is drawing up plans for the new city hall. They met this afternoon and will probably recommend a tax levy of \$14,000 for this purpose, which will cover a team of fire horses and a vault for the hall.

**PLAN TO EXPAND CITY OF VIRGINIA**  
Valuable Mining Properties May Be Included If the Voters Say So.

**RANGE BUREAU OF THE NEWS TRIBUNE**  
EVELETH, SEPT. 9.—  
The Commercial club and city council will get together at an early day to consider the proposition of extending the city limits so as to include the surrounding mining locations and other valuable mining properties.

The committee of the Commercial club which will meet the city fathers is composed of Dr. C. B. Lenent, chairman, D. W. Freeman and W. A. Hall.

The proposed territory to be taken in includes the district included in School District No. 27, making the proposed city limits about six by nine miles. In this territory are located many valuable mines containing proven ore bodies of approximately five hundred million tons. At present all these mining properties are included in Missabe Mountain township, the only mine included in the present limits of the municipality being the Columbia, owned by the Interstate Iron company, the mining branch of the Jones & Laughlin interests.

The extension would raise the assessed valuation of the city from approximately a half million dollars to about five million, and would mean to the mining corporations a lesser municipal tax than is at present paid. The committee will place the proposition before the council at once, and steps will be taken to have an election held that the voters in the new territory desired may vote themselves into the city at an early date.

**HIBBING WINS FROM CHAMPS**  
Freeman of the Range Team Proves Too Fast for Winners of Pennant.

**RANGE BUREAU OF THE NEWS TRIBUNE**  
HIBBING, SEPT. 9.—  
In a fast hard fought game Hibbing defeated the Duluth White Sox here today by a score of 3 to 2. Freeman, a local attorney, who was on the slab for the Hibbing nine, was too fast for the champions, holding them to four hits.

The game was one of the best seen on the local field this year. Both pitchers were performing well and they managed to keep their hits scattered except in one or two places. A single misplay, which marred the exhibition was the work of the Duluth field.

Freeman received first class support from the Hibbing fielders. They scooped them out of the dirt and covered the ground in a way that annihilated a lot of promising hits. In tomorrow's game Freeman will again pitch for the locals. The score:

R. H. E.	
Duluth	0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0—2 4 1
Hibbing	0 0 0 1 0 0 0 2—3 6 0

Batteries—Freeman and Waegman, Powell and McAleese. Two base hits, Kerr, Waegman, Kleffman. Attendance, 428.

**BALLOONISTS ARE LOST.**  
LONDON, Sept. 9.—Jacques Faure, a well known French aeronaut accompanied by the Marquis De Ville started in a balloon from the Crystal Palace ground for Denmark on Thursday evening. Nothing has been heard from them since and grave fears are entertained for their safety.

### SCHOOL HOUSE IS NEEDED AT HIBBING

Board Will Meet Thursday Night to Authorize Purchase of Lots.

**RANGE BUREAU OF THE NEWS TRIBUNE**  
HIBBING, SEPT. 9.—  
The school board has issued a call for a special meeting for the purpose of authorizing the board to purchase lots upon which to erect a school building. The meeting will be held in the town hall, next Thursday evening. The high school building on Third avenue and the center street building are now crowded to the limit, and several classes are housed in the Schiel and Hunt store buildings. It is likely the board will be given authority to purchase the lots and that the erection of a school building to equal that on Third avenue will begin without loss of time.

The public schools of district No. 27, embracing the village of Hibbing, Canby, Maunton and Stephenson mining locations and Powers, was convened Monday for the fall term, with C. E. Young, superintendent in charge. The enrollment which shows a material increase over the report of a year ago, 97 pupils.

### AUTO FRIGHTENS HORSE AND RUNAWAY FOLLOWS

**RANGE BUREAU OF THE NEWS TRIBUNE**  
EVELETH, SEPT. 9.—  
A runaway in which John Scott's shoulder was dislocated and several ribs broken, occurred at 5 o'clock Friday evening, just beyond the Foyal location. John Lutes, superintendent of the Biwabik mine, and a party of friends were leaving the city and going toward Biwabik in a touring car when a horse, driven by Albert Koshl, approached from the opposite direction. The horse took fright and ran, tipping the wagon over, and injuring Scott. Koshl was not seriously hurt.

### BIWABIK.

The Swedish people of Biwabik held a picnic at Lake Esquagama Labor Day. A good number attended and spent a pleasant day.

The ladies of the Congregational church held a sociable at Dr. Brays' home Wednesday evening.

Frank Lundgren went to Chisholm on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Norton spent Wednesday in Duluth.

Miss Nona Michaels of Hastings, Mich., is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. G. Seeley.

Mrs. J. I. Mandel and daughter departed Wednesday to visit the state fair.

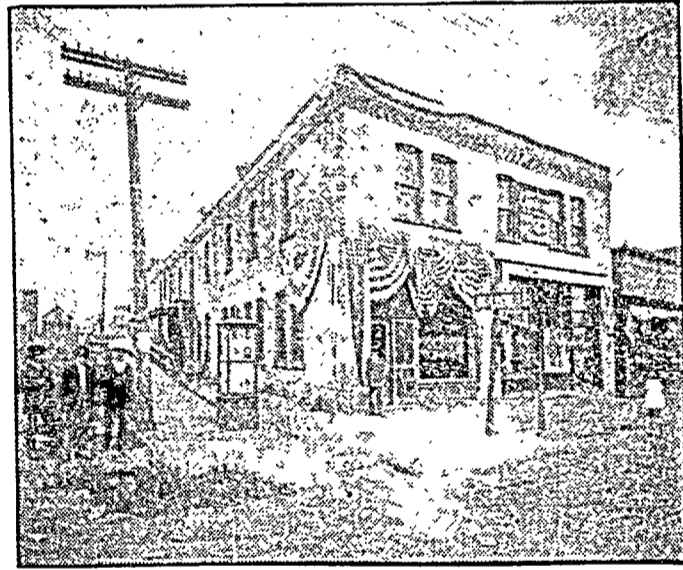
The home of Louis Parnucco and George Smith is quarantined on account of scarlet fever.

F. D. Wilkerson of the Biwabik Mining company arrived Wednesday, reported them out of the dirt and covered the ground in a way that annihilated a lot of promising hits. In tomorrow's game Freeman will again pitch for the locals. The score:

Mrs. J. Lutes visited in Virginia Wednesday.

F. H. Silbar was in Virginia between trains Wednesday.

### FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF EVELETH.



—PHOTO BY TURNQUIST.

### HIBBING.

P. J. Ryan, county commissioner for this district, who is doing good road work for Hibbing, declares it is his intention to build ten miles of road to the north next year.

Louis McPike, formerly manager of the Hibbing club, has returned to the city, after an absence of six months, most of the time spent in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Meuseau spent the week at the state fair.

P. R. Thomas, was among the Hibbing people in attendance at the state fair.

William A. Thomas left Tuesday morning for his farm in French Sturgeon river valley. He is a candidate for township clerk.

James Geary left yesterday morning for a brief visit at his old home at Mosinee, Wis. He was accompanied by L. C. Seard, who will spend a few days with his parents at the same place.

Miss Lizzie Doyle has returned to her home at Virginia, after a week's visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wring.

F. J. Mundigel has purchased the Hotel Hibbing barber shop.

Dr. Tower, of the Rood hospital staff, reports thirty-one births in Hibbing during August.

Mrs. M. A. DeLong will return to Hibbing this week, after spending three months in California.

E. B. Hawkins, state auditor for this district, was in Hibbing several days last week. Mr. Hawkins is at the head of the Drake & Stratton firm of railroad contractors and mine strippers, and was looking after affairs in the absence of Supt. G. H. Thompson, who is in Rood hospital.

P. J. Ryan, county commissioner, left Wednesday noon for St. Paul, Minneapolis and the state fair.

J. Ferd. Twitchell, Frank Ansley, Mike Somers and Bryan O'Rourke were among the state fair attendants from Hibbing this week.

Miss Eva Bailey returned from Minneapolis Monday evening.

Mr. L. E. Wakeman, of St. Cloud, is visiting her brother, W. W. Mahaney.

Mrs. T. J. Godfrey has returned from a visit with relatives at Chippewa Falls, Wis.

### EVELETH.

The public schools were opened last week with an enrollment of 926 pupils, a substantial increase over last year when 793 were enrolled. Eveleth now has five school buildings and thirty teachers.

Next Tuesday will be a critical day in the case of Hans Von Nostitz, local bookkeeper for the Val Blatz Brewing company, who is at the Fabiola hospital with a stroke of paralysis.

Among the Eveleth people who visited the state fair last week were: Sam Shapiro, John Pasternaki, Dr. J. V. Johnson, William Coss, Charles Jessmore, Bert Springer, S. A. Meade, E. McNiel and wife, D. P. McIntyre, Geo. A. Whitman, J. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Williams, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Turnquist, Mrs. S. Rendum, Miss Agnes Walla, Miss Maggie Cleundenning and John Mulqueen.

Mrs. W. J. Smith and daughter Marcella are visiting at St. Cloud and Stillwater.

Mrs. William Manley and son have returned from a visit at Bessemer.

Mrs. James Lamson is spending a few weeks in Minneapolis.

During the Methodist Episcopal conference the visiting clergymen will be given an opportunity of going underground at the mines. This will probably be Wednesday, Oct. 4. Before going down some of the mining men will make an address on the mines.

### ELY.

Mrs. A. J. Fenske and children have returned from their visit with relatives at Mt. Clemens, Mich. Mrs. Fenske was a passenger on the Huronic during the storm of Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson of Winton, mourn the loss of a young daughter, who died Friday night and was buried Sunday. The funeral was conducted by Undertaker Fenske.

P. Devenport, a member of the American Bridge Co. crew at present erecting the Zenith steel shaft house, had the misfortune to have two toes of his right foot crushed by a falling eye beam Tuesday.

The Winton and Ely baseball nines

### SCHOOLS AT ELY BEGIN FALL TERM

Enrollment In District No. 12 Is Lower Than That of a Year Ago.

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ELY, SEPT. 9.—  
The public schools of district No. 12 opened for the fall term Tuesday with an enrollment of 569 as follows: Ely 677, Winton 65, White Iron Lake 49, Savoy Mine 48. The enrollment falls below that of last year. The various teachers and their homes are:

C. L. Newberry, principal, Ely; Miss Adelaide Wilke, assistant principal, Madison, Wis.; W. F. Wigger, science and mathematics, Chicago; Miss Rose Schaefer, latin and eight grades, Clermont, Iowa; Miss Inga Dahl, English and history, Minneapolis; Miss Clara Klug, seventh grade, Arcadian, Wis.; Miss Eugenie Kellogg, sixth grade, Fond du Lac, Wis.; Miss Gratia Lyman, fifth grade, Stillwater, Minn.; Miss Evelyn Smith, fifth and fourth grades, Sauk Center, Minn.; Miss Lula Fletcher, fourth grade, Red Lake Falls, Minn.; Miss Adelaide Van Blareoom, fourth grade, Ely; Miss Lillian Scott, third and fourth grades, Duluth; Miss Pauline Van Cleve, third grade, Minneapolis; Miss Eleanor Clark, second grade, St. Charles, Minn.; Miss Nellie Knudson, second grade, Eau Claire, Wis.; Miss Myrtle Stark, first grade, Two Harbors, Minn.; Miss Gertrude Carlaw, first grade, Northfield, Minn.; Miss Mabelle Schorer, kindergarten, Winton, Minn.; Miss Camille Henton, kindergarten, G. G. Denning, principal Winton school, Fertile, Minn.; Miss Margaret Flanagan, Winton intermediate grades, Niagara, Wis.; Miss Elizabeth Maloney, Winton primary, Superior, Wis.

Miss Maud Frazier, principal Savoy school, Peterson, Iowa; Miss Olive Callaway, Savoy primary, Ely; Miss Minnie Pertulla, White Iron Lake school, Ely.

The fire department team and the Oliver Iron Co. mine will cross bats on the local field today.

Among those from here who attended the state fair at Hamline were: Mr. and Mrs. Barth Coffey and sons, Ely and Guy; John Densmore, Walter Steen, C. Carlson, William Nye, Mrs. Thomas Campbell, Mrs. Joseph Weed and Miss Stella Michault.

Misses Stella Mahady and Isabelle Meads of Duluth, were here several days last week and made a trip to Burnside lake.

The Labor day celebration here Monday was one of the best had in years. The weather was ideal and \$250 was distributed in prizes for races of all kinds. The tug of war was a pleasing feature. In the nationality pull, the Finns were victorious, defeating the Austrians after a hard struggle. The day wound up with a ball at Vail hall. J. W. Thompson was up from Tower several days this week on a visit with friends and on business.

Mrs. Ed. Crossman returned Tuesday from a week's visit with friends in Duluth.

B. Magnusson of Chisholm, is to the city this week visiting with his family.

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who are living on a claim in the White Iron Lake country.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Trebilcock left Thursday for a trip through the west. They will visit the Portland exposition before returning.

John Dahl left Thursday for the Dakotas where he expects to make his home.

For impersonating an officer, John Novak was fined \$30 by Judge Cosgrove in municipal court Tuesday. Novak arrested several and would release them after the parties had purchased drinks.

The biennial meeting of the St. Cyril & Method society, an Austrian association with a large membership on the ranges and with three of the grand lodge officers resident in Ely, George L. Bronzich, secretary; John Hablan, president, and John Govze, treasurer, will take place at Cleveland, O., next week. These delegates went from Ely: George L. Bronzich, John Govze, Joseph Skala, John Hablan, Steven Paulsich, Frank Lesar, John Merhar and Joseph Sekula.

## VIRGINIA.

The criminal libel suit of William Grant vs. W. E. Talboys, of Chishoim, adjourned until Wednesday from a week ago, was again adjourned, none of the witnesses being able to appear at the appointed time owing to their summons before the grand jury.

The M. E. Ladies' Aid will give a supper and sale at the Postoffice block next Wednesday evening.

Mrs. F. J. Rinnerat and daughter, Mrs. Mayme West, have returned from a visit with friends at St. Paul and Minneapolis. During her absence Mrs. West visited the Milwaukee and Chicago markets, selecting fall and winter millinery stock.

Mrs. M. E. Fanning went to Duluth Saturday, where she was joined by Miss

Burrows, leaving Sunday for an extended western trip. They will visit many points of interest in the Canadian northwest before their return, and will spend some time at the Portland exposition.

James Fleming left Tuesday for a business trip to the Twin Cities, and will take in the sights of the state fair.

J. F. Mitchell, of Houghton, Mich., arrived in the city Wednesday and will make Virginia his future home. He expects to arrange for his family to follow him in about two weeks.

Dan Coffey attends to business matters in the Twin Cities this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Deering came up from Cloquet Saturday for a visit with former Virginia friends.

Mrs. John Peterson and son, Liven left Saturday for a week's visit with relatives and friends at their former home in Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hawkinson and Mrs. A. P. Belanger and son left Sunday for a visit with relatives and friends in the Twin Cities.

E. C. Cracraft, superintendent of equipment of the Mesaba Telephone company looked after matters in connection with his position, in the city Tuesday. The company makes many improvements to their range service this season.

Dr. C. B. Lenont returned Tuesday evening from a brief business visit to Duluth and the Twin Cities.

Mrs. B. F. Smith and daughter, Mrs. C. V. Malmgren, who accompanied Superintendent and Mrs. Hawkins of the Mountain Iron mine, on a trip down the lakes, returned home Monday.

Miss Bessie Kanter, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. B. Milavetz, for several weeks, returned Monday to her home at Minneapolis. Mrs. Milavetz accompanied her and will remain in the Twin Cities for some time.

A. D. and J. Jackson of Detroit, Mich., arrived in the city Monday evening for a visit with their brother, C. M. Jackson, Wyoming avenue.

Charles Johnson has returned from a visit with relatives and friends at Phillips, Wis. Mrs. Johnson will make a more extended visit, returning home the latter part of the month.