

### GOOD OL' DAYS

Penny Worth More Than a Cent at One Time Here.

You may have never known it, but there was a time in Ely when you could get \$1.05 for every 100 pennies you could dig up.

For details see the "Looking Back" column printed elsewhere on this page.

Be a Booster for Ely!

### GOES TO SEATTLE.

Miss Marie Poin left Monday for Seattle, Wash., where she will be employed in a defense plant. Miss Poin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Poin, recently completed a NYA course in sheet metal at Duluth.

### FP. BOUGIN HERE.

F.P. Simon Bourgin from the public relations office at Camp Lee, Va., was in the city last week visiting friends. He was on a furlough visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Bourgin at Virginia and came here to see old school mates.

### THE ELY MINER

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### On This Occasion

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thority whatever in observation matters. . . . When Dr. Strunk was named as commissioner, it was felt that the right man had been chosen. His combined rare executive ability with a large dose of common sense and has made an enviable record during his administration. It was hoped he would reconsider his resignation, but it is evident he felt otherwise and has had enough.

We are sorry to say it, but feel that whoever is named to the responsible post will be unsatisfactory to some of the citizens. Minnesota is, and has been that way ever since we can remember—and that embraces the past 54 years. The larger part of the discussion is experienced in the Fish and Game department when some want to shoot ducks, pheasants, game birds and deer and to catch fish whenever they see fit and have their gun and fishing rod handy. The matter of game laws is a very unnecessary luxury. The Forestry and Mines and Mining divisions have been comparatively free of discussion. This applies to the Forestry department in particular.

The Miner has a suggestion to offer: Have three commissions named—One for the northern counties; one for the Twin Cities and one for the southern section. Then have the game laws made applicable to only the section served. No law applying to the northern section will fit in the southern and neither will the Twin City area. The Cities bunch have arranged themselves the prerogative of telling us up here how to run the fish and game of this area—the only section of the state with any fish and game to speak of. The Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Pennsylvania people have joined the avul chorus in helping them out in giving orders.

Harry LaDue of Duluth will be our choice for the northern section and Vern Joslin for the southern end with the Twin Cities selecting a man from the score or more who feel themselves politically endowed to sit such a high place as superintending eight or more game wardens in that area who probably have little more to do than to watch the catfish and bullheads in the Mississippi and go out for lunch. Oh yes we forgot to mention that they also stop the cars coming from the northern and southern fishing lakes to count the catch and see that the state is not cheated by the poachers from their area coming from the 10,000 lakes region with their catch. Each one of our game wardens in this area has about 15 square miles of real hunting and fishing grounds to oversee on his rounds.

### Evangelical Lutherans to Hold Dedication Services

### SOLDIERS ARE CLUB GUESTS

Douglas Nankervis, home from the Annapolis Naval Academy for a holiday visit with his parents, Chief and Mrs. Douglas Nankervis, Sr., was a guest of his uncle, E. W. Hanson, at the Christmas meeting of the Ely Rotary Club last week.

George Banovets, home from Maryland, for a visit with Mrs. Banovets and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Banovets, was a guest of L. E. Larson at the meeting.

Both of the guests were presented with a gift and accompanying poetic expressions along with the members of the club who each was the subject of a rhymic eulogy and a gift by unknown members who had drawn their names in the shuffle as is the annual custom.

Some of the poetic expressions accompanying the gifts relating to the calling or profession of the recipients were of extraordinary brilliance and showed much literary talent on the part of the writers. Con Haugen served as master of ceremonies and read the accompanying poetic tributes after the gifts were unwrapped and shown to those present. The entire affair was in the spirit of fun and the ribbing and comments were general and most amusing.

Birthday greetings in song were tendered Con Haugen under the direction of Frank Di Nino with Miss Eunice Berglund at the piano. Frank also led in a series of Christmas songs but was somewhat chagrined when he picked the songs from one of the books which many of the members were unable to find in their copies. However, the singing was successful, along with the balance of the party.

### ELYITE TAKES OWN LIFE BY HANGING

Richard Maki, 54 years old, took his own life by hanging early Friday morning in the city jail.

Maki had been confined to the jail for intoxication by Patrolman Jack Poshak. Poshak found Maki attempting to hang himself with his belt, so the patrolman removed both belt and suspenders. At the moment an auto driver was brought in for having broken off a street light standard with his car, Poshak said, and he was delayed for 15 minutes from returning to Maki. When he did, he found Maki had hung himself with his shoe strings.

The funeral will be held this afternoon from the Laing mortuary. The Rev. E. A. Heino conducted the services.

STENLUND PROMOTED. Word has been received that Milton Stenlund, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Stenlund, has been promoted to staff sergeant "somewhere in Australia."

Buy War Bonds and Stamps

### Special services celebrating the re-dedication of the First Evangelical Lutheran church will be conducted Sunday.

The Rev. R. V. Niemi of Calumet, Mich., first vice president of the Finnish National Evangelical Lutheran church of America, will be in charge of the dedicatory rites at the morning service at 10:30 o'clock, and he will also deliver the dedication sermon.

At 2 p. m. a program, to be announced by William F. Anderson, president of the local church, will include addresses by the Rev. Mr. Niemi and the Rev. A. J. Schulz, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran church at Virginia. The musical portion of the afternoon program will include vocal solos by Miss Dorothy Lintala of Virginia and Seminarian Toivo Esala of Springfield, Ill. Four selections will be given by the ladies' choir of the local congregation, which is directed by Mrs. Benjamin Kaatila.

These services will mark the official opening of the church, which has been completely remodeled in its interior. The floor plan of the church has been changed by building the chancel at the west end of the church instead of the south as in the original edifice built in 1898. All furnishings are new, including the altar, pulpit and pews. Four gothic style church windows have been installed. An insulation to the ceiling and plaster walls and oak flooring are among other improvements. The John N. Rautio Contracting company was in charge of the remodeling, for which plans had been drawn by Architect E. A. Jyring. The Vermillion Electric Shop installed the wiring and light fixtures. Rugs for the chancel and stairs were purchased from the Laing Hardware company, and extensive remodeling of the heating plant was done by the Acme Plumbing company.

The church was organized in 1890, and the first edifice was built on Chandler street. The present building on Camp street has served the congregation since 1898. The congregation became a member of the Finnish National Evangelical Lutheran church of America in 1938. The Rev. E. A. Heino has been the pastor since July 15, 1934.

### New Officers Installed by Job's Daughters

Ely Bethel of Job's Daughters installed officers December 23, at the Masonic hall.

Nancy Byrd Brownell, retiring honored queen, presided at the installation assisted by Delores Ellesen, Norma Mae Brown, Lois Mae Eckert, Lois Anderson and Mary Jane Larson. The following officers were installed for the ensuing year:

- June Trudgeon, honored queen;
- Phyllis Palmgard, senior princess;
- Phyllis Hanson, junior princess;
- Emily Chinn, guide; Ruth Nyberg, marshal;
- Marilyn Wiley, Betty Carlson, Iona Mills, first, third and fifth messengers;
- Jean Palmgard, recorder; Williamary Edwards, senior custodian; Louise McKenzie, junior custodian; Joan Rikhus, outer guard.

### LOOKING BACK Into the Files of The Miner

#### Forty-nine Years Ago

From The Ely Times Friday, Dec. 28, 1893.

Leadville, Colo., reported worked out as a carbonate camp, is again in the front and is producing gold. The output is reported as reaching \$10,000 per day.

The miners are reported in a destitute condition at Hurley, Wis. The mine so far, has been one of inaction and \$20,000 worth of clothing has been distributed to the destitute and food is at hand until Jan. 1. Unless business picks up soon, it will require about \$75,000 more to provide for the winter.

The Chandler is mining about 1,000 tons per day just now in its curtailed operations.

The bridge crew on the extension of the railroad to the Knox mill on Fall lake is on the job.

The Rev. E. C. Teachout of Tower will conduct services at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

A man identified as Frank Fordtasck was found frozen to death on the tracks between Bivabik and Allen Junction Monday. He had on a cotton shirt and shoes without stockings. The man started to walk to the Junction. The thermometer registered 26 below zero.

#### Twenty-five Years Ago

Dec. 23, 1917.

The honor roll of men serving in the U. S. army from this city, printed in The Miner, contains the names of 115 as voluntary enlistees and 46 in the national army with 23 from Winton in the service. Those enlisting last week were George Flaime, John A. Hill, John R. Hanson, Joseph Kloebucher, Ansel Skants, Walter Harrio, and Andrew Harri.

Joe Seraphine, chief of the Oliver police forces on the Vermillion range, has been promoted to assistant to Chief Foley at Virginia and has taken charge of his new office.

Howard Schaefer, David E. Blackmore, Abraham F. Bloomenson, Anton Metek, Eric Anst, Walker P. Sletten, William Mills, Pete Hall, R. Clifford Miller, Carlo Calmi, Jacob L. Pete, and Hugo H. Ojala of this city, George P. Williams, Arthur Carl Selke, Walter Tost and Alfred E. Johnson of Winton, John Anderson, Adolph Gruben, Kalvin Kahlub, W. H. Johnson, Wm. B. Nein, George Scottstead, Jos. Braoco, Jr., Mike J. Music, and Sever Karrie of Tower and Soudan left here last week for Camp Scott, San Francisco. This was the second contingent leaving here the first going to Camp Dodge, Iowa. Five aliens on the list to leave for San Francisco were excused and five others were called to fill the quota. They were given a

#### rousting farwell at the station.

Major Carl Schuster inspected Co. D of the local home guard Friday evening at the Washington auditorium before a large crowd that filled the seats. The major complimented the company on its work and announced that Sergeants Sutherland, Fournier, Strachan, James and Englund, and Corporals Merdink, Tak, Schaefer, Anderson, Laing, Corda and King were slated for promotion.

Mrs. Edward Maki (Miss Olga Skants) died Saturday night following childbirth after a four-day illness. She was 28 years of age.

A shortage of pennies has induced the banks of the city to offer \$1.05 per 100. The piggy banks are being emptied.

U. S. Grant McMahan is at Camp Cody, N. M., to spend Christmas with his son, Albert, and other Ely boys in the camp.

**HOLIDAY GREETINGS**  
A Happy New Year to All  
**MINNESOTA MARKETS, INC.**

**NEW YEAR GREETINGS**  
PEACE ON EARTH GOOD WILL TO ALL  
**LAING HARDWARE CO.**

**Holiday Joy**  
Greetings 1943  
**ELY FINNISH STOCK CO.**

**Happy New Year to All 1943**  
**ELY CO-OP ASSOCIATION**

**HOLIDAY GREETINGS**  
A Happy New Year to All  
1943  
**CENTRAL GARAGE**

**HAPPIEST**  
**NEW YEAR**  
**M. J. MURPHY**

**GREETINGS TO ALL**  
1943  
**BUFFALO'S**

**Joyous Holiday**  
1943  
**ECONOMY CASH MARKET**

**Holiday Cheer**  
1943  
**GUST A. MAKI**

**1943 BEST WISHES**  
**JOHN A. KANGAS**

**NEW YEAR GREETINGS**  
**PAUL W. MARTIN**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYBODY! 1943**

**NOW SAILING** below the horizon is a ship of hope, coming this way. That ship—New Year, 1943—will soon be putting into port here with a cargo of our Best Wishes for happiness and good cheer to all our friends.

Among the outstanding pleasures in the year that now lies behind was your continued patronage. We are grateful for it, and will do everything in our power to merit its continuance during the coming year.

**The First National Bank of Ely**  
MEMBER F. D. I. C.

**HAPPIEST NEW YEAR 1943**

**NOW**, when all America looks hopefully to a New Year, we pause to take stock of our assets, and find that chief among them is the good will of our many customers.

So we renew our pledge to do everything in our power to merit a continuance of your good will. There are clouds on the horizon, and clouds in the zenith, too, but we face the future with the firm conviction that now, as 1943 approaches, we may truly say, as in the past, we wish you a

**HAPPY AND VICTORIOUS NEW YEAR!**

**Veranth Fuel & Lumber Co.**