NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

VEGREVILLE.

Bulletin News Service.

Yesterday a Galician who lives thirty-five miles north of the town came in to town with ten sacks of cucumbers and some sacks of corn. The cucumbers were extra large and some of them dead ripe. He sold them at a dollar a pail. This is the second load brought in this season by the same Galician. He made over $60 in his load. This Galician lives north of the Saskatchewan and he says that he has a lot more of cucumbers and corn. Already he has made $150 on his garden stuff. His wheat and oats have been stacked over ten days.

The dairy of Geo. R. Brown has changed hands. Thos. H. Tierney has purchased the business and will conduct it from his residence north of the track. Mr. Tierney will be able to supply fresh milk as he will not have far to haul it.

A load of new oats came in to town yesterday from north of the river. The quality was good and weighed 48 lbs. to the bushel. The price paid at the elevators is 24 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lynn have returned from Vancouver, B.C. Fred Facey has also returned from B. C. There is no place like Alberta after all.

Three Russians were up before Magistrate Flemming this week for violating the pound by-law. They were each fined $2 and cost.

The concert in the fire hall was up to the average but the attendance was small.

J. Fontain of Hairy Hill, has sunk four shafts in quest for coal. In the first shaft sixteen inches of coal was struck at twelve feet below the surface. One hundred feet up the hill three feet of good coal was struck. As this place is only sixteen miles from Vegreville, coal will be bought cheaper this coming winter. The mine will be in full blast in about three weeks.

Vegreville, Sept. 11th.

IRMA.

Bulletin News Service.

Abraham Hacker had the misfortune to have twenty-five tons of hay burned with the steam thresher.

Jack Wilson is visiting friends on Strawberry Plains.

S. J. Bomgardner who has been visiting his daughter Mrs. J. W. Sontee, has returned to Seattle, Wash.

Mrs. Dr. Little of Olds is visiting her father H. P. Armstrong.

A number of the young people attended the ball given by the U.R.K.P. in Sedgewick on Tuesday, September 7th, and report an enjoyable time.

Rev. Steels, of Kinsella; Swenerton, of Viking, and McDonald of Sedgewick, were in Irma on their way to Wainwright to the district meeting.

On Saturday, September 4th the Irma Rose ball nine went up against the fast Manville team. The result was a score of 4 to 2 in favor of Manville.

It was a good exhibition of baseball the score being two each at the end of the sixth innings. The batteries were, Manville, W. Colbert pitcher, B. Horning catcher. Irma, V. Hardy pitcher, and C. Toll catcher. Umpire Threasher. The Irma boys all speak highly of the courteous treatment given them by Manville.

Irma, September 9th.

MANLY.

Bulletin News Service.

O'Conner's large grading outfit passed through here last Sunday on the way to the McLeod river. They have been at Lethbridge all summer and have now finished there and gone west.

John A. McPherson, M.P.P., paid a visit here last week on his way to Wabamum. He visited the school and expressed great satisfaction at the bright intelligence of the scholars. He was pleased with their singing, which considering some of the scholars were not able to speak a word of English on entering the school, did great credit to the teacher as well as the scholars.

Work is to start on the Government road next week with James Reid as foreman.

Chas. Walker made a trip home last week but was only able to stay a few days.

Mrs. S. Reid the teacher of Manly S. D. has bought a horse and buggy from J. Fuch.

Quite a number of Manly people turned out for the picnic on Labor day. The party started at 9 a.m. sharp taking with them refreshments for the day. The destination was Wabamum Lake. After a pleasant but rather rocky ride for those who travelled in wagons they arrived and camped on a sandy beach on the south east corner of the lake. The day was perfect. The children soon had their shoes and stockings off and were paddling in the water. A small rowing boat was borrowed and all took it in turns to go on the water. After supper and a most enjoyable day they all started for home and arrived at their various destinations tired out but happy. This is the first general picnic the Manly people have had but all are agreed that it will by no means be the last.

John Kotschenofski is busy banking up the school house and if he can get it fenced the teacher is talking of having a garden of flowers there next summer.

Manly September 9th.

ATHABASCA LANDING.

Bulletin News Service.

Mrs. P. D. Walker and children are spending a few days at Spring Creek the guests of Mrs. Whiteley.

John McLeod left the past week with pack horses for Trout Lake, Wabasca district, where he will have charge of the Hudson's Bay Company's post this winter.

Sydney L. Smith of Grouard was in the villarge the past week for a few days.

M. Bertrand is in Edmonton on business. He is accompanied by Mrs. Bertrand.

Hoy Ree the proprietor of the local celestial retaurant leftt on Tuesday's stage for Edmonton, where he will enter the hospital for treatment.

H. U. Box is spending his annual vacation in Edmonton.

Inspector Howard, R.N.W.M.P. has received word that he is to be transferred to Grouard and that Inspector Saunders of Regina will take charge of this division. The transfer will take place in aoout two weeks.

A very pleasant dance was held Tuesday evening at the home of Magnus Brown to celebrate the marriage, which took place that evening, of his daughter Maggie to Percy Wright of the Landing.

Lot Willey left this morning (Thursday) with his grading outfit for Tofield where he has secured a contract for a piece of work on the Tofield-Calgary branch of the G.T.P.

Thomas Wood left last week to resume his studies at Alberta College, Edmonton.

The river at present is lower than it has been for some years. On Thursday of last week the steamer Northland Sun had great difficulty in making the run to the Little River and the lines had to be used in several places.

On the first of the month a government telegraph office was opened at Mirror Landing. This is the first office to be opened on the Athabasca Landing-Grouard line.

J. H. Wood has been given the contract for grading the approach to the eastern end of the new government bridge over the Towtinow river at this point. He is now engaged upon the work and expects to complete it in a few days.

T. Lessard of Edmonton, was in the village Friday of last week, the guest of his brother J. L. Lessard.

A robbery that will long be remembered in the history of this north country was committed here last week when the warehouse of Hislop & Nagle was broken into, and two bales and one box of raw furs, valued at $15,000 were taken. The fur arrived from the north on the Hudson's Bay Company's transport on Saturday and placed immediately in the warehouse. The robbery was not discovered until Wednesday, although no doubt it was committed shortly after Saturday. As the three most valuable bales were taken and several other bales left untouched it is evident that the work was done by some one familiar with the packing and storing of the fur. This is the first robbery of any bales of fur in this district, and on that accountt will long be remembered. As fur valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars has been shipped here from the north annually for the past twenty years, it is remarkable that there have been no previous fur robberies. Both the R.N.W.M.P. and private detectives are working on the case.

KEEPHILLS.

Bulletin News Service.

P. Macdonald made a business trip to Edmonton last week.

R. J. Porter left for Edmonton on Wednesday where he expects to remain a short time.

E. R. Wilson made a trip across the Saskatchewan river, visiting relations last week.

G. R. Porter, has put up a nice log house on his homestead, which gives promise when finished of being one of the best in the district.

Keephills, Sept. 11th.

SEDGEWICK.

Bulletin News Service.

On Tuesday evening, September 7th, the Knights of Pythias entertained their members and friends in the Burn Hall, which was most tastefully decorated for the occasion and great credit is due the committee who carried out the work. The music furnished by the Bawlf Orchestra was of a very high order, which together with the charm of the ladies' dresses, the knights' uniforms and the artistic decorations of the hall made the guests feel that they had in reality been transported to an entertainment of the Arabian Nights.

A most excellent programme was provided which was led off under the leadership of Captain T. W. Edwards and Mrs. J L. Clarke, followed by the Knights and their wives.

Luncheon was provided in the lower hall by Messrs. Conklin and McCusher, after which the Knights gave an exhibition of their military skill in sword exercise.

The delightful program although lengthy ended all too soon and the dancers were regretfully swung to the tune of "Home Sweet Home" a little after three o'clock.

It would be invidious to attempt to mention any menmber of the committee outside Captain T. W. Edwards, under whose charge the various committees carried out their duties in a most highly creditable manner.

Sedgewick, Sept. 11th.

WABAMUM.

Bulletin News Service.

Dr. Murphy of Edmonton has a crew of men at work boring for coal on section 19-53-5, and expects to have the development work completed and a first class mine in operation by Christmas. Dr. Murphy has proven his great faith in the coal supply of this district by purchasing the coal rights of several sections here.

D. R. Fraser and John Fraser, of Edmonton were at Wabamum on Thursday looking up some timber interests. They were planning on putting in a saw mill south of Goose Quill Bay. The gentlemen expressed themselves surprised and pleased at the amount of good farming country about Wabamum, and found the grain to be of an extra fine quality and good yield.

Mrs. Page has returned home after an extended trip to Seattle and other points. Mr. Page went as far as Edmonton to meet her.

C. H. Dunn had the misfortune to lose about seventy-five tons of hay by fire last Sunday.

A. C. Smith is very busy buying cattle to send west and for supplying his trade here.

At a meeting held at Dunn's store it was decided to organize the Wabamum Agricultural Association and to hold a fair on Saturday, September 25. The G.T.P. townsite will be used this year as a place for holding the fair, and an effort will be made to have permanent grounds for the succeeding meetings. The association starts out with the hearty good will and active help of the whole community and the outlook is for a record breaker for a first fair in a new settlement. Arrangements are under way for a special train from Edmonton and the prospects are very good for having the first passenger train arrive at the station on that day. The whole Lake region, including Manly, Mewassin, South Side, Siba, Rixboro, Lac Ste Anne and Onaway, are included in the organization, and are promising good delegations and exhibits. Reports from all indicate a large number of exhibits of all classes and this region can show some extra quality of farm produce and live stock as was evidenced at the Rexboro fair.

Rexboro held a very successful fair on September 1, which was well attended and a fine display of exhibits were shown. Lac Ste Anne announce a day of sports on October 4.

Wabamum, September 11th.

PADDLE RIVER.

Bulletin News Service.

The annual picnic of the combined Paddle River and Mellowdale settlements took place on September 6th, and as usual proved a great success. The settlers turned out en masse from the neighboring townships, and everybne had a thorough good time. The program was as follows:

Football match—J. Birnie's team 3 goals, J. Dunn's team 1 goal.

Broad jump—1 Rev. J. W. Wright, 2 R. Watson.

100 yards race—1 Rev. J. W. Wright, 2 R. Watson.

3 Legged race—1 A. Birnis and A. Dawnie, 2 Rev. J. W. Wright and J. Murray.

Boys race—1 G. Hooper, 2 R. Hooper.

Girl's race—1 Gladys Clapp, 2 Beulah Quint and Olive Johnson, dead heat.

Quarter mile race—1 R. Watson, 2 Rev J. W. Wright.

Horse race, six ran—1 H. Critchlows 'Bess" ridden by E. Barker; 2 H. Critchlow's "Dick" ridden by owner.

High jump—1 Rev. J. W. Wright, 2 R. Watson.

Pole Vault—1 Rev. J. W. Wright, 2 M. F. Slaughter.

Tug of War—Mellowdale 1st, Paddle river 2nd.

Ladies race—1 Mrs. Burch, 2 Mrs. Freeman.

Throwing the Hammer—1 R. Watson, 2 Rev. J. W. Wright.

Not the least attractive features of the day's enjoyment were the well filled baskets provided by the ladies.

After supper an adjournment was made to the hall, and dancing and other amusements were kept going until a late hour.

During the day a meeting was held and it had been decided that next year an agricultural fair is to be held. The fair committee chosen were J. Burch, D. J. Cason, H. Critchlow and Alex. Birnie.

Paddle River, Sept. 9th.

FAIRMOUNT.

Bulletin News Service.

Miss Retus Clapp, of Edmonton, spentt the holiday with her parents here.

Rev. J. M. Fawcett, of Rexboro, paid a flying visit to this place on Wednesday.

Mrs. Edwards and daughter of Edmonton, are spending a few days with Mrs. Riley.

Mr. Hamilton lost a valuable horse last week.

On Saturday evening a party of young folk gathered at the home of Miss N. Vance, it being her birthday, and spent the evening in games of various kinds.

Mrs. Clapp is slightly under the weather. All hope soon to see her around as usual.

Rev. D. P. Cameron spent Wednesday in Fort Saskatchewan at the regular district meeting.

Miss Ethel Vance who has been holidaying at her home here returned to her situation in Edmonton Tuesday.

Fairmount, Sept. 11th.

MOSSIDE.

Bulletin News Service.

Mr. Simon F. McDonald, the late teacher of Mosside school, No. 1811, has gone to Edmonton.

Messrs. Henderson Brothers, of the Peavine, have renewed their mail contract for another year.

A fine lot of hay has been put in stack, as it is needed to put the ever-increasing number of cattle and horses through the winter.

A rumor as to the C.N.R. coming here from Morinville is prevalent.

H. W. McKenney, M.P.P., has been up to see the roads. All trust his trip may be of great value to us.

Mosside, September 9th.

KITSCOTY.

Bulletin News Service.

John Dale has bought out James R. Lowery's interest in the hardware business, as Mr. Lowery is returning to Toronto College.

R. R. Higginson was the first threshing man out this year. He has threshed considerable grain so far. Most grain is ready for threshing.

R. E. Brown is erecting a small building, in which he proposes to start a restaurant.

Miss Jennie Gilman is visiting her relatives in town.

A baby girl was born to Mrs. and Dr. Whillans several days ago.

Mr. Fizill, station agent, has arrived and is now ready for business.

Kitscoty, September 9th.

STETTLER.

Bulletin News Service.

Mrs. Mary J. Lundy, of Lacombe, the party holding receipt No. 50 is the winner of the house and two acres of ground which was offered as a prize to the people buying lots in the West Stettler addition to the town of Stettler. The drawing was conducted by Messrs. W. F. Puffer, of Lacombe, R. L. Shaw and J. P. Greigg, assisted by two Miss Longs as the blindfolded ticket pickers and Mr. McBrine as clerk, all of Stettler. They took 1154 tickets, one for each lot sold and on the ticket numbered 1154 was marked the word "house," these were all put in a large tin can and shook up well by the parties before mentioned. They then placed the tickets in a pail and the two Miss Longs, who were blindfolded, proceeded to draw out the tickets, one at a time. Previous to all this the receipt numbers had all been placed in a book numbering respectively from 1 to 1154 inclusive, so when the first ticket was drawn the number on it was placed opposite the receipt No. 1, and the second number drawn was placed opposite the receipt No. 2, and so on through the list. The fiftieth ticket to be drawn was the lucky one marked "1154 house," and corresponded with the receipt held by Mrs. Mary J. Lundy, of Lacombe.

Stettler, Sept. 13.

NOYES CROSSING.

Bulletin News Service.

The stork recently visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Vader and left with them a baby girl.

Daniel Noyes and son Fred have left for Edmonton, to spend a few days there.

Mr. Henry Glentginger is taking a holiday and is spending a few days with friends in Onoway.

Mr. and Mrs. James Rose are delighted over the arrival of a 6lb. baby boy.

Harry Cook is here renewing acquaintances.

David Noyes left for his home in Horse Hills after spending a few days with his parents here.

Noyes Brothers are making repairs around their hotel for the coming winter.

Noyes Crossing, September 11.

LABOR DAY AT PINE CREEK.

Bulletin News Service.

Pine Creek settlement is situated on the north side of the River Saskatchewan, about 40 miles from Fort Saskatchewan. Three years ago this part of the country was a wilderness. The fertility of the soil and bright future prospects, however, attracted a large number of pioneers, who are rapidly transforming prairie plains, willow jungles and poplar bluffs into one of the most magnificent farming sections to be found in Sunny Alberta. The settlers are hopeful that in the near future railway facilities will remove many of their present grievances.

Labor Day celebration attracted a large gathering of over 300 from far and near. One of the chief attractions was the agricultural exhibit. Every one was more than surprised to see such magnificent products of soil and labor. So enthusiastic are these progressive farmers that they are taking immediate steps to organize an agricultural society and build a hall.

The following prize winners deserve special notice for their splendid exhibits, which would grace any exhibition in Canada:

Mr. Christie—First for onions and rug, second for jam and cake.

John Watts—First for three varieties of beans, garden peas, squash cucumbers and corn.

Mrs. Moore—First for cabbage, celery and quilt.

Mrs. Sloney—First for hand-made lace.

Mr. Cherrington—1st and 2nd carrots, 1st sugar beets and seed onions.

John McDonald—1st potatoes, 2nd mangles and sugar beets.

Miss Amy Clark—1st millinery and embroidery.

The baby show competition proved very interesting and exciting. Mrs. L. Foss' baby girl took first and Mrs. R. Cunningham's baby boy took second prize.

The judges discharged their duties throughout to the entire satisfaction of all concerned.

Dinner and supper were furnished by the ladies. The tables were attractive and laden with all that could be desired by the most fastidious.

Dancing ended the day's enjoyment. The music was supplied by the Pine Creek Orchestra. Many enjoyed the light fantastic to the strains of sweet popular airs.

One exciting event was a horse race—a half-mile running dash. F. Sweet's pony, Eclipse, took first money; A. Howse's pony, Eureka, second, and J. Robertson's pony, Cleo, third. All enjoyed themselves immensely.

Pine Creek, September 11th.

BARDO.

Bulletin News Service.

Bardo is one of the largest and oldest Norwegian communities in Alberta possessing one of the finest churches east of Edmonton, and thanks to the efforts of P. B. Anderson and other workers, it is one of the strongest temperance communities in Alberta. It is situated six miles south of Tofield, in the centre of one of the finest agricultural districts of the west. The many fine barns and houses are evidences of the prosperity of the settlers.

The Lutherans have placed a fine new organ in their church and are taking steps towards placing a bell in the tower.

Mrs. Edwin Johnson, after a lingering, painful illness, passed away on Friday last. The funeral on Sunday was largely attended. The services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Anderson, Bardo's old time minister and patriarch (an octogenarian). The Bardo choir and band assisted in the music. Six ladies acted as pall bearers.

Construction work is rapidly proceeding on the Calgary-Tofield branch of the G.T.P., west of Bardo.

Threshing is in full blast, three outfits having started to work in this vicinity. The company machine, owned by Sterritt Brothers, Suttons, Parker, Lewis and Brockey has started threshing at T. Tierney's. This is a brand new outfit in competent hands.

Cutting is very nearly over with, the grain being practically untouched by frost. Haying is also a thing of the past.

A couple of loads of iron for the G.T.P. bridge at Duhamel passed through, en route from Tofield.

Bardo, September 11.

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WABAMUN.

Bulletin News Service.

On Tuesday, September 7th, a meeting was held in Wabamun to organize an agricultural society. It was decided to hold a fair on the G.T.P. townsite, Wabamun, on Saturday, September 25th Dr. Strong, of Edmonton, was present and assured the patronage of the White Whale Lake Land Company. Arrangements are being made with the G.T.P. chief divisional engineer to run a special train from Edmonton. The membership fee was placed at $1. There will be no admission fee. The ladies of the Methodist Church are arranging to serve dinner.

A number of haystacks, belonging to C. H. Dunn, were burned to the ground last week. Incendiarism was suggested till it was discovered that the ground, being of vegetable composition and very dry, fire had travelled underground from a camp fire lighted nearby.

Mrs. De Ontway, of Stony Plain, and Mrs. Wm. Gillrie, of Spruce Grove, visited at the Methodist Parsonage last week.

F. Jancowski did business in Edmonton last week.

P. Preston starts hay pressing at Mr. Wood's this week.

Chief David Bird, of Paul's Reserve (Stony) has returned from a visit to Red Deer Industrial School, where he left his son. This makes eighteen children now at the school from this reserve. He reports everything in good running order there and all the children well and contented.

During the summer some Edmonton people have been summering here. These are the pioneers of what we believe will in the future be a great company. Lots are already on sale at Wabamun, Coal Point and Seba. C. M. Hays is reported to have said in Edmonton that the Wabamun Lake district would be developed as speedily as possible.

RLev. Boyd, private secretary to the Archbishop of Canterbury, is looking over this district with Rev. Edwards, in the interests of the English church.

Mrs. G. B. Stephenson, of Arthur, Ontario, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Rev. James, for the last six weeks, leaves on Tuesday for Saskatoon.

Pere Paul started out on a hunting trip today with a pack, heading for the Upper Saskatchewan.

Wabamun, September 14th.

MANVILLE.

Bulletin News Service.

Harvesting is completed in this district sometime now and threshing is in full swing. No less than five machines are in operation and with fine weather the threshing season should not last very long. The grain is turning out good and of a fair quality. The farmers have no cause for kicking this fall.

Cecil Frank sold two Sawyer-Massey threshing outfits this fall, one to Mr. Hanniker, south of town and the other to Wm. Pepper, north west of town. D. B. McLean sold a large Case machine to Mr. Moultra. The separator is a 36x68 and the engine 25 h. p. These sales speak well for the crop acreage in this district.

John Symington of Bloomington, is bringing in a Port Huron outfit from Fort Saskatchewan this week. Mr. Symington is an experienced thresher and with a good outfit he will certainly get his share of the threshing.

The Manville Baseball team held a ball in Burch's hall on Friday night, September 10th, but owing to the busy time there was not a very large attendance. However an enjoyable time was spent by those present. The ball team purpose holding another ball later on when the rush work is over.

Jno. Shaw is at present confined to his bed with an attack of inflammation of the lungs. Under the treatment of Dr. Harrison of Edmonton, the inflammation was checked, before it got too great a hold and all are pleased to know that "Jack" is on the road to recovery.

Wm. Huston, contractor in Vancouver, is here for a few days visiting his mother and renewing old acquaintances. He has done well since going to Vancouver. He leaves this week for the Coast, business interests necessitating a short stay here.

G. M. Cundal returned last Wednesday from Calgary where he took part in the A.A.A. championship meet. Mr. Cundal now holds the provincial record for the running broad jump and a local program will be rendered by both tumbling over a hurdle would also have had the record in the hurdles.

Mr. Stuart Cummings has been in rather poor health this last week, having had to give up his usual mission work on Sunday.

The Methodist church propose holding their annual anniversary services on Sunday, September 19. Rev. E. J. Hodgins B.A., of Vermilion, will preach. On Monday following at 8 o'clock p.m., a literary and musical program will be rendered by both outside and local talent. Refreshments will also be served.

Manville, September 14th.

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BEAVER HILLS.

Bulletin News Service.

J. Roberts, from Strathcona, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of his father, D. Roberts. Mr. J. Roberts is studying civil engineering.

Mrs. A. S. Taylor, who has been in England since April last, came back to Beaver Hills last week.

O. Roberts, from Edmonton, is here visiting his brother.

The wife of Adolp Smith gave birth to a baby boy last week.

Threshing is in full swing here. Grain is very good.

Beaver Hills, September 13th.