

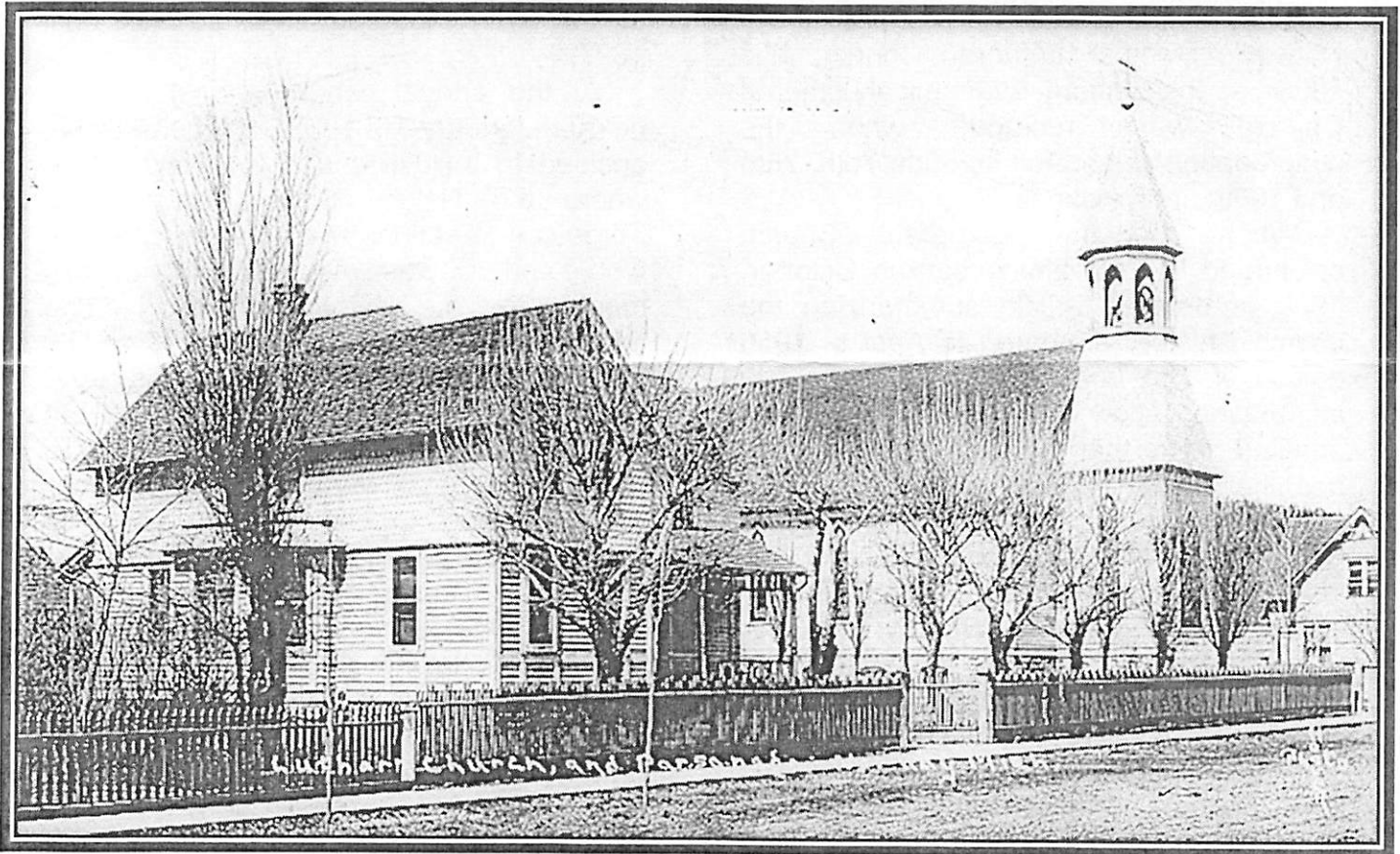
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The congregation of the Swedish Lutheran Church, also known as the Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church, was organized at a meeting in the Norway school house on December 30, 1880. At the congregational meeting held on January 15, 1882, it was decided to build a church on Nelson Hill. The church building, pictured here in a postcard view from about 1910-1920, was moved to the southwest corner of Iron Street and Eighth Avenue from Nelson Hill in April, 1892. An entry and steeple were added at the new location with the steeple's spire, increased by 30 feet, reaching a height of 60 feet. The parsonage is visible at the left. In 1901 the Young People's Society purchased a 1,400-pound bell. In 1899 a basement was installed under the church, the altar was remodeled, a sacristy was built and new sidewalks were installed. In 1911 the sanctuary and the basement below were lengthened by 20 feet and a statue of Jesus Christ was purchased. [William J. Cummings]

## SWEDISH LUTHERAN/BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH, NORWAY, MICHIGAN

Carl L. Wendel platted the Village of Norway on July 31, 1879. Just a year and a half later a group of Swedish immigrants who had settled in the area met to organize a Lutheran church.

Initially the congregation was comprised of both Swedes and Norwegians, but a difference of opinion about finances caused the Norwegians to secede and establish the Norwegian Lutheran Church at the corner of Norway Street and Fifth Avenue in 1892. In 1922 the Swedish Lutheran Church and the Norwegian Lutheran Church merged.

Fortunately information pertaining to the formation and early development of Norway's Swedish Lutheran Church, also known as the Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church, were recorded when the congregation celebrated its 50th, 70th, 75th and 100th anniversaries.

When Bethany Lutheran Church celebrated its 70th anniversary in October, 1950, a detailed article summarizing the church's history appeared in April 5, 1950 edition of *The Iron Mountain News*. The information below has been copied and adapted from that article. Names have been boldfaced.

The Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church was organized on December 30, 1880, at a meeting held in the Norway school house, presided over by the **Rev. S.J. Osterberg**, who at that time was ministering to the Scandinavian immigrants of Lutheran faith in the area. Of those at that historic meeting the following signed their names indicating their desire to become Charter members of the new congregation: **Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Johnson, John Farm, P.M. Lindberg, S. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ekengren, R. Sjoblom, Erik Moberg, J.F. Olsson, O.G. Erickson, John Erickson, E. Lof and wife, A. Bjorklund, Gustaf Lof, John Dahlquist, Erik Samuelson, Jonas Hallblom and wife, P. Peterson and wife, F.A. Peterson, John Engblom, N. Hiller, A.P. Erickson, and John Stromberg.**

The proposed Constitution of the Augustana Synod was then read and unanimously adopted.

On December 7, 1881, another congregational meeting was again held at the school house at which time the congregation became incorporated. **Per Larson**, a mining engineer who was destined to become such an influential member of the newly organized church and later in Sharon Lutheran church, Iron Mountain was first mentioned in the minutes of this meeting. Larson moved to Iron Mountain in the year 1882 but returned to Norway in 1889 and remained there until 1897.

At the annual congregational meeting held on January 15, 1882, the membership decided to build a church on Nelson Hill, where the Nelson School later stood. Three congregations shared a pastor at this time, and it was also decided at this meeting that the pastor should receive one third of the salary from the Bethany congregation and the other two thirds of the salary were to be paid by Sharon Lutheran Church, Iron Mountain, and the Lutheran church at Florence, Wisconsin.

The **Rev. C.C. Olander** was called to become their pastor, but the call was later declined. During the time of pastoral vacancy, the work was carried on by students, including **C.O. Ljung, Andrew Forsberg** and **S.D. Hawkins**. Visiting pastors, including **P.J. Kjellstrom, J.E. Linner, Carl Branat** performed the pastoral acts. Many calls were issued to pastors during the vacancy without success.

On June 8, 1888 disaster struck the small town of Norway when the main section of the city was almost completely demolished by fire. Men of the church climbed to the roof and with a bucket brigade poured water over the roof and kept the church from burning. The new church was threatened, but the faith and courage of the early pioneers saved it.

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On May 17, 1890, a residence was purchased for a parsonage.

In 1890 the congregation received its first resident pastor when **Rev. J.A. Axelson**, seaman pastor from Liverpool, England, arrived. but his stay here was only two years.

Norway's weekly newspaper, *The Current*, published on Saturday, regularly contained items regarding the Swedish Lutheran Church.

In the August 9, 1890 edition of *The Current*, the following was reported:

–**Rev. Axelson**, the new pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church here, arrived from Sweden, Tuesday, and will present his initial sermon in this field tomorrow (Sunday). The parsonage, recently the residence of **W.G. Reynolds**, on Summit avenue, is being renovated and remodeled and the new pastor and family will move into it on Monday next.

In the March 19, 1892 issue of *The Current*, the following baptisms were noted:

–The following baptisms were performed by **Rev. J.A. Axelsson** [sic] of the Swedish Lutheran church: On March 5, **Oscar**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. Gustaf Hellberg**; March 5, **Oscar Henrik**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. Klemet Olsson**; March 8, **Jeny**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Springer**.

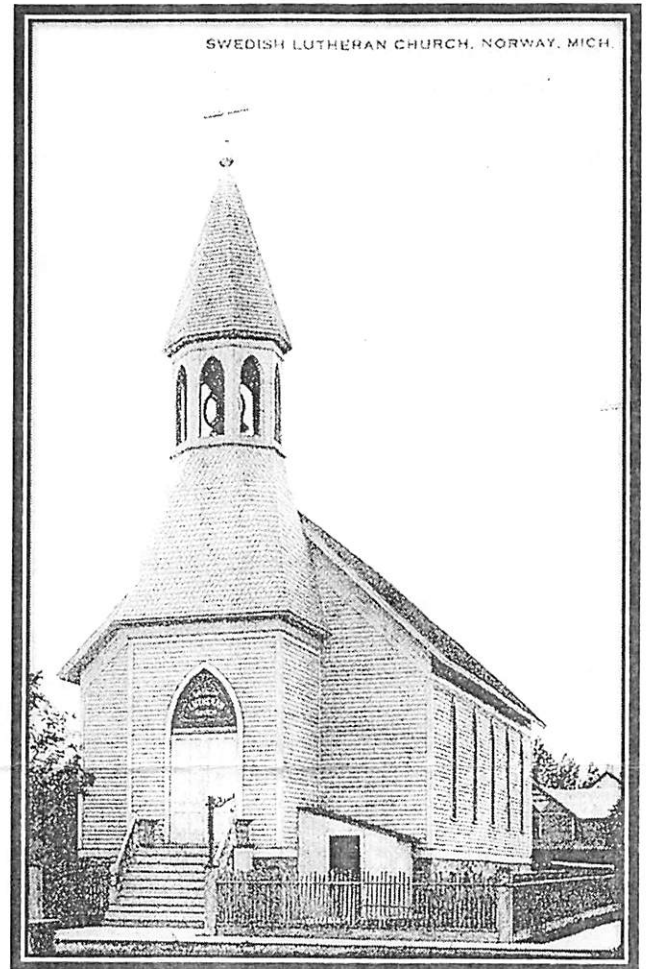
In the April 9, 1892 edition of *The Current*, readers learned the following:

–**Rev. Axelsson** [sic], of the Swedish Lutheran church, is spending much of his time these days getting out the stumps in front of the parsonage.

The moving of the church building from Nelson Hill to 300 Iron Street began April 23, 1892, and was well documented in *The Current*. The half-block of land purchased cost \$18.00. The following item appeared in the April 23, 1892 issue:

–The work of moving the Swedish Lutheran church from Norway hill to the lots between **Jno. [John] Lindquist's**

*residence and the church parsonage, South Norway, is in progress.*



The Swedish Lutheran Church was located at 300 Iron Street. Later Bethany Lutheran Church and now Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. This postcard view, "Pub. For Jacobsen's Pharmacy," bears a penciled message on the reverse reading "Edna from Esther Ebert, Dec. 28, 1910." [William J. Cummings]

The following items appeared in the April 30, 1892 edition of *The Current*:

–On Sunday, (tomorrow), on account of the removal of the Swedish Lutheran church, the society will have services in Lindquist's hall, morning and evening.

**Baptisms.**

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The following baptisms were performed by **Rev. J.A. Axelsson** [sic] of the Swedish Lutheran church:

April 14 – **Selma Maria**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Johannus Fredrikson Lind**, Frederickton.

April 17 – **Hanna Emeliä**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pederson**, Frederickton.

April 22 – **John Arvid**, son and **Ida Josefina**, daughter (twins) of **Mr. and Mrs. Haagvist**, Norway location.

April 24 – **Carl Harold**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Klein**, Norway.

–On Saturday of last week a baby came to brighten the home of **Rev. J.A. and Mrs. Axelsson** [sic], South Norway. All are doing well.

In the May 7, 1892 issue of *The Current*, readers learned the following:

–*The Swedish Lutheran church has reached its position on the church property, South Norway. The moving of the building took much longer than the contractor expected.*

The move of the church apparently caused some damage to the streets and sidewalks, resulting in the following article in the May 21, 1892 edition of *The Current*:

–*The contractor who moved the Swedish Lutheran church building from the north to the south side, ought to be required to leave the streets in as good a condition as he found them. The streets are littered with blocking, sidewalks have been moved from their original position and not replaced and unsightly holes and anchor posts remain in the street. This is not as it should be and the street commissioner should see that the matter is attended to.*

In the June 4, 1892 issue of *The Current* concern regarding street damage was again noted, as follows:

–*The mover of the Swedish Lutheran church has not as yet cleaned up the debris, filled up the holes and pulled out the anchor posts used in moving.*

An entry and a higher steeple were added at the time of the move, as recorded in the June 18, 1892 edition of *The Current*, as follows:

–*The spire of the Swedish Lutheran church is being increased in height about 30 feet, and will be 60 ft. high.*

Sunday school Fourth of July activities with the Iron Mountain church were reported in the July 2, 1892 issue of *The Current*, as follows:

–*On Monday, July 4th, the Sunday school children of the Swedish Lutheran church, of this city, joined by the children of the Iron Mountain Swedish Lutheran Sunday school, will picnic at the grounds near the mill. Sports and games will be a part of the days [sic – day's] programme at the grounds. Everybody cordially invited.*

In 1892 the congregation issued a call to **Pastor Henning Coliander** who accepted the call and arrived in 1893, remaining until 1900. During his tenure a great spiritual revival broke out within the church.

After some time the **Rev. K.E. Nystrom** was called to preach a trial sermon and subsequently a call was issued him which he accepted, moving to Norway with his family early in March, 1901. **Rev. Nystrom** remained until the latter part of 1906. During his pastorate there was a marked physical and spiritual growth. Many new members were added and summer school was conducted for the children.

In the June 15, 1901 edition of *The Current*, the following article appeared:

### **A New Bell.**

*We omitted last week to mention that the Swedish Lutheran Church people now have what is undoubtedly the sweetest toned and most costly bell in the city. It was presented by the Young People's Society of the church and weighs about 1,400 pounds. The bell cost in the neighborhood of \$300 and besides being a thing of beauty and a joy forever to the*



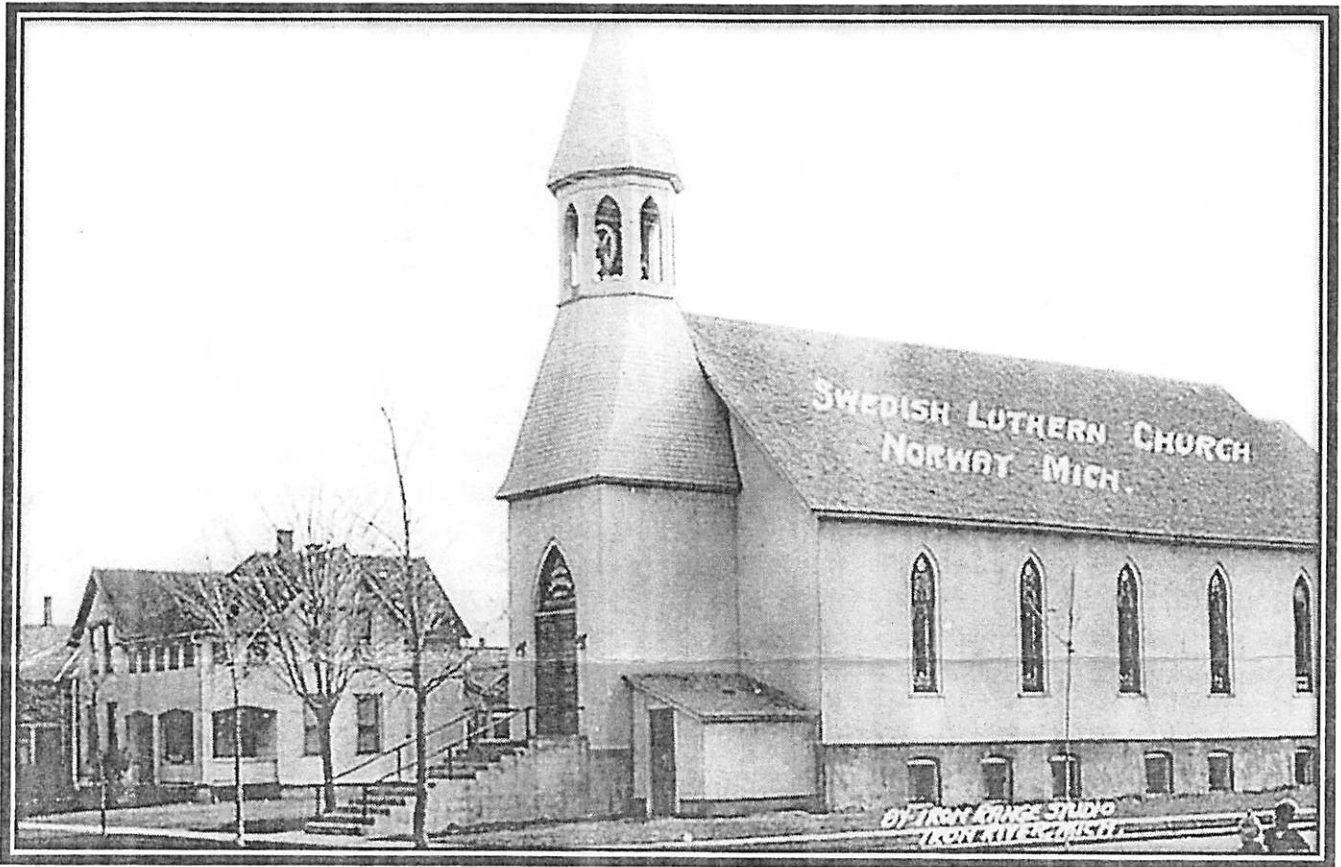
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congregation it reflects great credit on the donors.

The new bell was cast by Stuckside & Bro., St Louis, Missouri. Church records noted the donation of the bell by the Young

People's Society occurred on June 24, 1901. The inscription on the bell reads:

"May our faith in His everlasting love continue to grow...as we hear and answer His call to worship and to serve."



Postmarked Norway, Mich., October 18, 1938, this postcard view shows the Swedish Lutheran Church, located at 300 Iron Street, taken by the Iron Range Studio, Iron River, Michigan. In 1925 the church and parsonage had been remodeled and covered with stucco, as seen in this photograph. [William J. Cummings]

Information on the 20th Anniversary celebration of Iron Mountain's Swedish Lutheran Church was reported in the August 10, 1901 issue of *The Current*:

### **Church Anniversary.**

Wednesday, was the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Swedish Lutheran church at Iron Mountain, and a very pleasant gathering of church people was had, including many from other places who had at some time or other been part of the

church society. Among those from this city we note, **Mr. and Mrs. Gust Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lindahl, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Eklund, Mr. and Mrs. Mani Erickson, Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Wall, Capt. and Mrs. John Carlson, Rev. and Mrs. J.E. Nystrom, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Peterson, Aul. [Alderman] and Mrs. John Anderson, and Mr. Atrhur Bergstrom.**

Fundraising by the Young People's Society was documented in the August 31, 1901 edition of *The Current*, as follows:

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*-The moving picture shows at [the] Opera House, under the auspices of the Young People's Society of the S. L. [Swedish Lutheran] church, Wednesday and Thursday nights were very successful affairs and judging by the crowded houses the receipts must have been very satisfactory. The proceeds after paying expenses are to apply on the balance due on the new church bell.*

In 1905 the church celebrated its 25th anniversary, and many visiting pastors attended, including **Pastor Coliander** and **Pastor Olander**. **Mrs. G.A. Hellberg** was president of the Ladies' Aid at that time.

After **Rev. Nystrom** left Norway there followed 10 unsuccessful calls to pastors. The congregation was almost at the point of despairing of ever getting another resident pastor when, in the early spring of 1908, the **Rev. S.J. Wilson** arrived. During his pastorate the congregation purchased many of the interior furnishings which were still in use in 1950. Also during his pastorate the congregation was challenged to keep good records of all its activities.

In 1911 the statue of Jesus Christ which was placed at the altar was purchased by the Daughters of Bethany at a cost of \$120.00 plus \$11.98 in shipping charges.

After **Pastor Wilson** left, four unsuccessful calls were made until the **Rev. G.S. Olson** was called and accepted. He moved his family to Norway in the summer of 1913 and remained for ten years.

In 1917 the Men's Society of Bethany Lutheran was re-activated as the Gustaf Adolphus Society.

During this period the congregation moved ahead steadily both spiritually and physically. The Superior Conference convened here in 1918.

On April 6, 1919, the congregation decided to purchase and install a pipe organ at a cost of \$1,885.00. In order to provide space for the organ space was added to the northwest corner of the building.

Most of the "push" for this project was done by **Captain John A. Carlson**, mining captain at Aragon Mine, who also served as Sunday School superintendent for 27 years. He was a man of dynamic mental and physical power exerting a wholesome influence upon the community and church.

In 1922 the Swedish Lutheran Church and the Norwegian Lutheran Church merged.

When the congregation became vacant again in 1923, they extended a call to **Pastor Nystrom** to serve as vice-pastor until another pastor arrived. **G. Arndt Johnson**, of Augustana Theological Seminary, Rock Island, Illinois, arrived in the summer of 1924, serving as student pastor during the summer months. He accepted a unanimous call from the congregation to become their pastor and arrived here in August, 1925. Again the work in the church went forward.

In 1925 stucco was put on the outside of the church at no cost, the Young People's Society sponsored the installation of electric lights, hardwood floors were put in the sanctuary and a new furnace was installed. Worship services began being held in English two Sundays a month. The first English Christmas services were held in 1935.

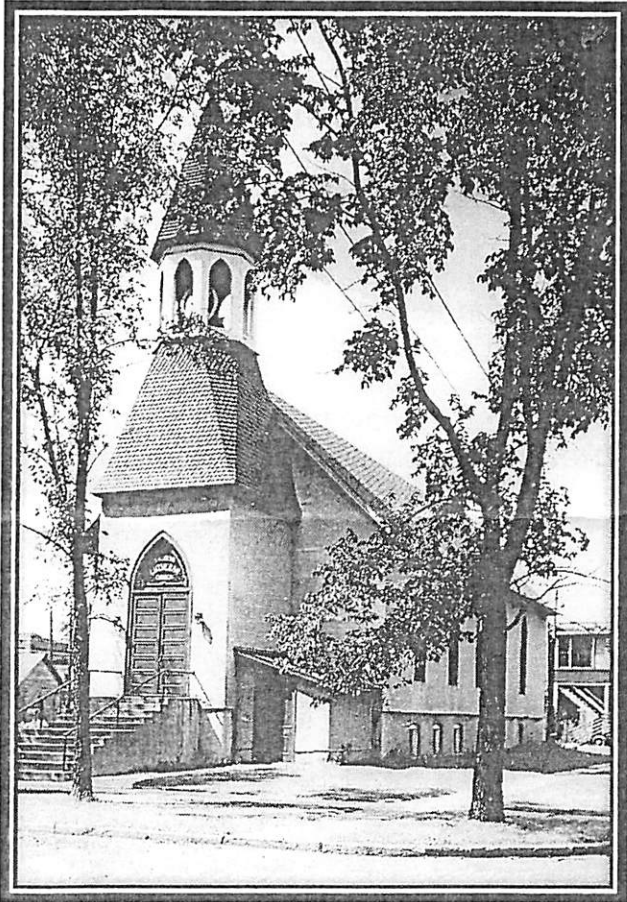
The Superior Conference Luther League convened here in the spring of 1927 and in the following year the Superior Conference met here in April. During **Pastor Johnson's** term of service the congregation saw many physical improvements to their church plant.

In 1931 the **Rev. Elmer J. Holt** was called to be the pastor. Arriving in the midst of the great depression, **Pastor Holt** kept the congregation together, even though times were difficult. The sacrificing spirit of the pastor and congregation enabled the church to weather the storm and grow in faith.

The **Rev. Frank E. Peterson** was given a permanent call in 1938 and remained as

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pastor for eight years. The congregation held its own during these years. In 1941 when the United States entered World War II, and many of the sons of the congregation responded to the call of the colors. Through these years the congregation carried on and with great rejoicing and thanksgiving welcomed the end of the conflict.



This postcard view of the stucco-covered Swedish Lutheran Church, located at 300 Iron Street, dates between 1940 and 1950. [William J. Cummings]

In 1939 the church name was changed to Bethany Lutheran Church.

In 1942 the last "Julotta" Swedish Christmas service was held.

The congregation extended a call in 1947 to their former pastor, the **Rev. G. Arndt Johnson**. Again the congregation saw the membership grow and the physical

plant improved. **Pastor Johnson** remained until 1953.

In 1949 Memorial chimes and a steeple amplification system were added and the kitchen was remodeled.

In April of 1953 **James Almquist**, a senior seminarian, was called to become pastor upon graduation and ordination. The **Rev. Almquist** with his wife, arrived in July of 1953.

In 1954 the congregation became self-sustaining, having a pastor serving only Norway.

In 1961 the Sunday School became so large a wing was added on the south.

In 1976 the basement was remodeled, the kitchen enlarged and many other updates were completed.

A translation committee, comprised of **Lillie Krooks, Esther Provencher, Anna Wicklund** and **Inez Nordgren**, worked to translate church records from Swedish to English prior of 1980.

In 1980 Bethany Lutheran Church celebrated its centennial. Men grew beards, members gave temple talks relating to the history of the church and people wore "old time" clothing to worship. A picnic was held on July 4 at Marion Park and a dinner was also held at Holy Spirit School.

In 1987 a new parsonage was built.

In the 1990's, Bethany began discussing the issues of the church structure needing extensive work and the limitations of growth in such a small building with limited parking. A seed was planted with the idea of building a new structure. In 1999, the possibility was becoming a reality when land was gifted to the four Protestant Churches of Norway. The "Cornerstone Ministries" corporation was established to manage and oversee this land gift.

A neighbor church, Grace United Methodist, also began considering a new building, but as also concerned about the financial burdens involved for their small congregation. The necessity for thinking out of the box caused a new, intriguing

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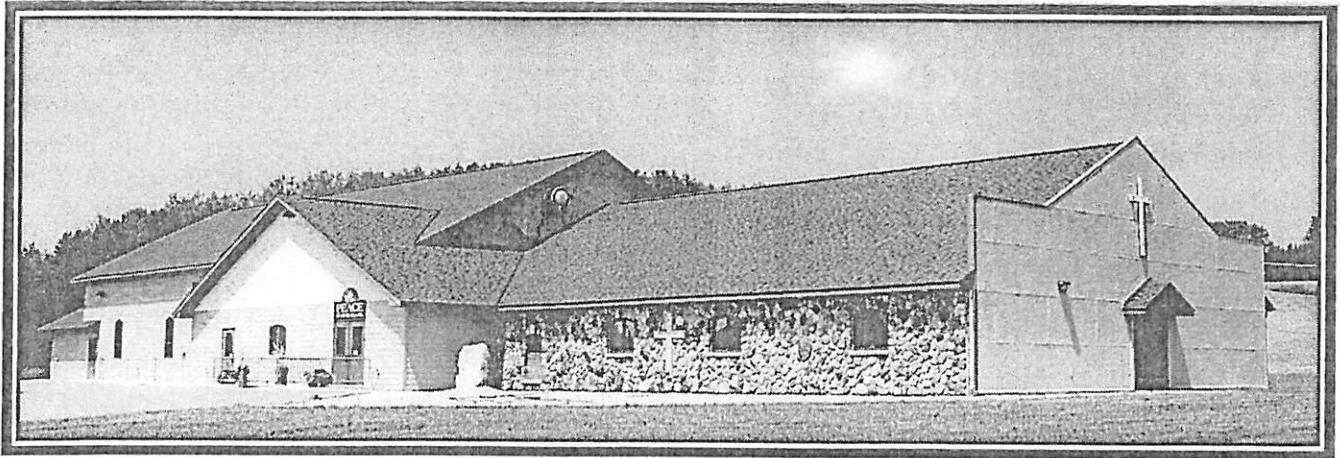
possibility of both Bethany Lutheran, with Grace United Methodist, to construct and share the same building.

Primarily with volunteer labor, together Bethany and Grace built a Phase 1 of 2 building project to include a multi-purpose room with chancel/banquet hall/sports activities, classrooms, offices, kitchen, storage, youth space, a community food pantry, a conference room and bathrooms. The building and the two congregations were consecrated and celebrated the completion of the \$1.2 million church construction project, known as "Crossroads Alliance" in September, 2009. Phase 2 will be a separate or shared sanctuary.

#### List of Pastors who have served Bethany:

Rev. S.J. Osterberg.....	1880-1882
Pastors and Laymen.....	1882-1890
Rev. J.A. Axelson.....	1890-1892

Rev. H. Colliander.....	1892-1899
Rev. J.E. Nystrom.....	1899-1906
Laymen.....	1906-1909
Rev. S. Wilson.....	1909-1912
Rev. G.S. Olsson.....	1913-1923
Rev. G. Arndt Johnson.....	1923-1925
Rev. J.E. Nystrom	
Rev. G. Arndt Johnson.....	1925-1930
Rev. E.J. Holt.....	1930-1937
Rev. Frank Peterson.....	1938-1946
Rev. G. Arndt Johnson.....	1947-1953
Rev. James Almquist.....	1953-1958
Rev. Kenneth Nelson.....	1958-1962
Rev. Theodore Carlson.....	1962-1968
Rev. Robert Williams.....	1969-1985
Rev. Thomas Lindblad.....	1986-1990
Rev. Charles Fluegel.....	1991-1992
Rev. Jennifer Johnson.....	1993-2000
Rev. John Voelker.....	2000-2007
Rev. Michael Langlais.....	2008-2010
Rev. Kate Shrubal.....	2012-2014
Rev. Linda Forray, LLM.....	2014-2015
Rev. David Johnson.....	2016-



Bethany Lutheran Church and Grace United Methodist Church, members of the Crossroads Alliance Corporation, 130 O'Dill Drive, share this facility, completed in September, 2009.

Thanks to **Chris Hamlin**, director of the **Jake Menghini Museum** in Norway, research was conducted in the amazing archives located there. Much of this work was done by the late **Joan Oberthaler**, who served as the first director of the Jake Menghini Museum and was a member of the Dickinson County Genealogical Society

and served as president (1987, 1988, 1991, 1992) vice-president (1986) and secretary (1996-1999). The Jake Menghini Museum Archives are dedicated to Joan for her meticulous work in gathering and organizing Norway's history for many decades.



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A fishing party composed of Rev. Father Keul, Carl Schuldes and C.E. Berry "trolled" for pickerel from the kitchen of E. Chainey's Spread Eagle summer resort on Tuesday. 'Tis even said that the reverend gentleman visited the bottom of the lake in a hasty endeavor to discover why the members of the finny tribe didn't nibble his bait as they should.

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### Robbed While Intoxicated.

With the advance guard of the Republic base ball [*sic* – *basesball*] excursion party, which reached this city Saturday evening, June 8, came a commercial traveler named C.C. Barden, who represents the Atlantic Refining Co., of Cleveland, O. Barden claimed to be an old-time Buffalo ball player, and all-round sport in general. His volubility, pleasing address and liberality soon gathered around him a host of congenial spirits, the most favored of whom, however, was little "Dicky" Lang, the slick individual whose protégé[,] the notorious "Jim" McCormick[,] was during his star engagements here some time since. "Dicky" and Barden soon became exceedingly intimate, the former actually leaving his place of residence to room with his new-found friend at the Kirby House. The entire period of last week was, to all appearances, one continual round of pleasure for the two men. "Dicky" hadn't much money, 'tis true, but he balanced his gall against Barden's cash and everything seemed to move along swimmingly with him. With Barden it was different. It was plain to be seen that his drinking education

had been sadly neglected during his youth, and, strive as he might against the baleful effects of the conglomerated mixtures of cocktails, "snits," and brandy smashes, they would down him regularly twice a day. And, just as regularly, he was tucked into his little bed by the accommodating "Dicky," only to reappear a few hours later to distribute more wealth among his chosen companions. For six days this programme was followed, but on the seventh day the bottom dropped out of the money market, at least so far as Barden was concerned. When escorted to his room at the Kirby House by "Dicky" on last Saturday, he was the possessor of a \$180 diamond pin, an \$85 gold watch, and about \$80 in cash. He laid in drunken stupor some time longer than usual, but finally awoke to find himself a prisoner in his room, and even worse – the sad victim of misplaced confidence. A casual glance revealed the former, and a closer investigation, the latter state of affairs. His room was locked and his valuables missing. "Dicky" had also disappeared. Even Prof. Bristol's mathematical equine could have figured out such a striking coincidence, and Barden's befuddled brain was also equal to the task. He notified Marshal Catlin; he sent a score of telegrams to neighboring cities, asking the authorities to intercept his whilom [*former; erstwhile*] friend (?); and he has offered a reward for the return of his valuables. But they return not. Neither does Barden form the acquaintance of any more slick individuals with pugilistic pedigrees and inherent acquisitiveness.

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That favorite actress, Nellie Waters, will appear at Rundle's Opera House on

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Saturday evening, June 22, in a particularly strong play entitled "Criss Cross." Miss Waters has played in this city a number of times, and needs no introduction to an Iron Mountain audience. Larger crowds have greeted her on each successive appearance. Her present support is said to be very strong, and we look for an immense audience Saturday evening.

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REV. J.B. LAMBLEY will preach in Baptist Hall, Sunday June 30, morning and evening.

WENZEL & CO. have dissolved partnership, we are informed, and Christ. Grossbusch will henceforth go it alone.

IT is confidently asserted that work on the new brick depot for the C. & N.W. railroad, [sic] will be begun next month.

THE building occupied by Ed. St. Arnould [sic – St. Arnould], has received a new coat of paint and looks very bright and clean.

THAT sidewalk ordered to be built on C street and Carpenter avenue does not appear to be materializing very rapidly.

MIKE CORAGLIOTTI has opened up his new brick block, where he is prepared to furnish his customers liquid refreshments as of yore.

The Hamilton & Merryman Mining Company, of this city, filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state this week. The incorporators are Andrew C. Merryman, Robert Merryman and Reuben C. Merryman. The capital of the company is \$300,000. –Marinette Star.

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### Blight's Hotel Leased.

Mr. Edwards, of Appleton, Wis., has leased the popular hostelry known as Blight's hotel for one year, and will take possession next Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Blight will occupy the dwelling adjacent to the hotel, which is now being fitted up for their use.

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H. MELIS & CO., who get their supply of lumber from the Iron Mountain Lumber Company's mills, located near this city, are now fully prepared to supply all demands promptly and at lowest figures. They have now in their yard a splendid stock of all best grades of lumber, which they invite the public to call and inspect.

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FELIX LABROOK has bought the small house near his livery barn, which he is having fitted up as a blacksmith shop and will do his own shoeing and repairing.

FRED GOETHE and Martin Lamince, proprietors of the German Boarding House, were bound over to the circuit court by Justice Bergeron last Monday, for selling liquor on Sunday.

IN the assault and battery case between Louis Tremontine vs. John Record and John Auxman, Tremontine

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withdrew his complaint, and the defendants were discharged on the promise of better behavior in the future.

**JAMES REYNOLDS** has the contract to build the new Catholic parsonage and will commence work on it at once. The house is to be a model structure of its kind, and will be a handsome addition to the church property to this city.

**KING & FRANKLIN'S** circus drew fair audiences last Friday, and for a small affair – a 25 cent show – it gave general satisfaction. The little one for a cent, that has been holding forth in a small tent opposite the **M. & N. depot** the past two nights, we don't hear much about. Guess nobody went to see that.

We noticed last week a pretty severe scorching given by the **Marquette Journal** to **Prof. (?) Averill**, an ostensible musician, who had changed his place of abode from **Marquette** to **Escanaba**, and a few days later the **Escanaba papers** informed us that **Averill** had been arrested by the sheriff of **Montcalm county** for forgery. Events appear to justify the caustic remarks of the **Journal**.

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## Johnstown Relief.

The following acknowledgement was received by **Mayor Anderson** last Monday morning.

Johnstown Relief Committee,  
Chamber of Commerce [sic -  
Commerce] Building  
Pittsburgh, Pa., June 22, 1889.  
City of Iron Mountain, Mich.,  
By **A.E. Anderson**, Mayor:

DEAR SIR: – The **Johnstown Relief Committee** acknowledge the receipt of your subscription of **\$313.25**, and beg leave to express their thanks for your generous response to the call for help.

Very respectfully yours,

Johnstown Relief Committee,

**WM. R. THOMPSON**, Treas.

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THOSE people who think it is a proper thing to celebrate the **Fourth of July** in a manner befitting the occasion will have to thank **Joe Pascoe** and **Wm. Moyle** for the celebration that is to take place next Thursday. Our people responded generously to their solicitations for the necessary funds, but they, so far as we know, were the only gentlemen who felt disposed to take the lead in the matter.

**N.B. PARMELEE & SON** are pushing the construction of the new school house in the first ward as fast as the weather will permit. The foundation walls are nearly complete, and the building material is on the ground to go right forward with the work. Messrs. **N.B. Parmelee & Son** stake their reputation on this job, and will give the city by far the best school building within the city limits.

WE would like to see our city council pass an ordinance taxing all such fakes as the tape worm doctor \$10 a day, and if that isn't high enough to keep them out, make it \$100. They come here for a few days, take in several hundred dollars in exchange for a lot of worthless dope and then skip with their ill gotten [sic – ill-gotten] wealth. There will be none too much money in this city if we keep all we can of it at home.

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Mrs. Burns, mother of Mrs. A. Patenaude, returned to her Florence home, Monday.

John Meggs, of Milwaukee, brother-in-law of J.H. Gee, is visiting here.

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## HEAVY LOSS BY FIRE.

### Metropolitan Lumber Co's Mill, Warehouse, Boarding House and Lumber.

On Friday last the Forest [sic] fire swept down upon the location of the Metropolitan Lumber Co. near Sec. 21, on the Metropolitan branch, and wiped it off the ground, completely, Mill [sic], all the building about and connected with it, the stock of sawed lumber, even the logs (down to the water) were burned. The loss is estimated at \$150,000 and we hear of insurance to the extent of half that sum.

Besides this, Fred. Skog and Andy Blomquist lost their camps and outfit for getting out cedar and a quantity of poles, ties and posts; in all not less than \$2,000, on which they had no insurance. Where the fire crossed the track of the railway it took out two bridges -- one of fifty and one of 150 feet in length -- section houses and tool houses, and damaged the track by burning the ties.

No loss of life is reported, but it was a close thing for many. At the lumber company's location there was no time to save, no chance to fight; the only thing was to get out of the range of the fire, and prompt work was necessary to that.

It is not probable that the mill will be rebuilt. --Iron Port.

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## CURRENT NOTES.

-A.J. Turnblom has enclosed a neat residence in South Norway.

-It is probable that the telephone exchange will soon be in working order.

-The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Whitney, who has been ill for some time is improving.

-The building to be used as a machine shop, etc., at the Aragon is being sided and roofed with corrugated iron.

-James O'Callaghan is arranging to commence the erection of a two-story residence on Sunset Hill, adjoining the McGillis property.

-Capt. Skewes' residence will be ready for occupancy in about two weeks. He will have as cosy [sic - cozy] a little residence as there is in the city.

-Dan A. Stewart will move into his new residence, Frederickton, Tuesday. His residence is of modern architecture and one of the nicest in the city.

-Chas. Swanson is putting in his spare time building a sail boat at Reber's shop. The boat is to be twelve ft. keel and a model of workmanship.

-Will Nisen, who has been ill[,] is so much improved as to be up and around again. Glad to hear of the improvement.

-William Williams returned from a visit to his birthplace in England, Wednesday. Mrs. Williams remained in England but will return in a short time.

-The plate glass front of the Gee building, Main Street, was put in last week. The painters are working on the



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building. It will soon be ready for occupancy.

–A new force pump has been placed in the well in front of Anton Odill's place, Nelson street. The well is fifty feet deep and the pipe is nearly two-thirds full of water.

–Jos. Preville, while catching in the ball game, Monday, received a slight injury. A foul tip ball struck the mask breaking one of the wires which cut his forehead just above the right eye.

–There will be a dance at Sparapani's hall next Saturday night. Frank Ahlich's black horse is to be given away as a prize that night. Ask Frank about it and be sure and buy a ticket for the dance.

–Capt. H.J. Colwell is again partially laid up with gout. He calls it rheumatism and says that living on Johnny-cake would not produce an inflammation of the fibrous or ligamentous parts of the joints of his left foot.

–We omitted to mention in last week's issue, that William Keating had injured a hand while working about his sawing machine. He had a piece of flesh taken from the end of his thumb down to the bone. He miraculously escaped losing his hand.

–W.R. Nursey has commenced soliciting advertising for his history of the range in this city and he informs us that he has met with success. He is also taking orders for the sale of the work. Without doubt the book will contain a most excellent pen picture of the range, its cities and industries and should be read by everyone on the range, and everyone should obtain a copy for his or her friends outside, and thus advertise our city.

–Capt. H.J. Colwell and family left for a few days camping at Spread Eagle, last Friday and returned this week. Every season they camp at the above favorite resort and enjoy the outing in fishing,

boating and romping through the picturesque primeval forest. During the season of camping the following ladies and gentlemen visited the camp: Prof. and Mrs. S.B. Tobey, Mrs. Jas. Hosking and Minnie, Mrs. Francis Blackwell and daughter, Bessie, Misses Amelia and Bessie Perkins; John Hewes and Dr. O.M. Sattre. The weather was pleasant during the season and the party enjoyed the camping. Capt. Colwell did not remain in camp but two days on account of rheumatism.

–Mr. Pecor, who keeps the boarding house at O'Callaghan's mill and [is] employed in the mill, narrowly escaped being killed one day last week by being struck in the back of the neck with a stick which was thrown by an edging saw. It seems he had been using the saw and after sawing a board a small piece of edging remained on the table which being constantly jarred, struck the saw and was thrown with terrible force against Mr. Pecor making a gash about three inches in length in his neck. He is improving under the care of Dr. Lockart.

–Telegrapher Bunno of the C. & N.W., while out riding Sunday, lost a pocket book which contained about one hundred dollars. Monday morning a party went out to find the lost wealth and learned that a man named Carlson found the wallet on the road leading to the Indiana mine. Mr. Carlson was then found and upon proof the money was restored to the owner and Mr. Bunno was relieved of considerable anxiety. Five dollars was given to Mr. Carlson and two dollars to the man who furnished the information regarding the finding.

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## PERSONAL POINTERS.

Miss **Cora Miner**, who for about two years, has been here with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. **J.B. Lyons**, left Sunday afternoon for her home in Connecticut. She has many friends here who are sorry to loose [*sic – lose*] her society.

**Postmaster R.M. Sampson** left for his home at Houghton, Wednesday, where he will remain until Sunday or Monday. During his absence Miss **Carrie Colwell** assists in the distributing of the mail at the postoffice.

**Mrs. Roche**, who has been away for some months for medical treatment, returned home a few days ago. We are pleased to announce that her health is somewhat improved.

**Mrs. J.M. Hosking** departed, Monday, for her home at Eau Claire, Wis., after a two months visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. **W.B. High**.

**Alfred Nystrom**, who visited here for a week returned to Chicago, Sunday, to resume his position with **Messrs. Bodeman & Conrad, druggists**.

**Ross Robinson**, formerly of **Hastings & Co., Vulcan**, passed through this city on his return from **Menominee**, Wednesday.

The **Misses Watters**[.] who have been visiting Miss **Bessie Blackwell**, their cousin, went to **Ishpeming**, Monday morning.

Miss **Nellie Bush** left the city Sunday to take charge of the school at **Sagola**.

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## CURRENT NOTES.

–We are informed that **John Brachetti** is to close his saloon and embark in the bakery and confectionery business in **Ingallsdorf**.

–**Supervisor Colwell**, 2d ward, distributed blanks early in the week to physicians of the city and township for a report of the births and deaths for the past year.

–**Residences** are going up fast in **South Norway**, **Ingallsdorf** and **Frederickton**, two or three being commenced every week. Many very pleasant homes are now nearing completion.

–**Miss Emma Breen**, of **Ingallsdorf**, who has been ill with typhoid fever for several days and whose life was hanging in the balance for some days, is improving slowly, we are glad to learn.

–The new plat southeast of the city has been approved by the state and now **Capt. Colwell**, the agent, will commence the sale of lots. There are now many desirable building sites along the shores of **Lakes View** and **Mary**.

–The saloon keepers have been notified to close their saloons at 11 o'clock at night and also to keep them closed Sunday. It is altogether possible that if the law is not obeyed a case will be made against the ones who defy it.

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### Becraft Caught.

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J.D. – A.W. Thompson.  
Stewards – Wm. Hall, David Martin.  
Tyler – Henry Nancarrow.

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## The Knights of Pythias.

Hematite Lodge, No. 129, Knights of Pythias, elected the following officers last Thursday evening:

- C.C. – Alexander Millman.
- V.C. – John J. Doetsch.
- P. – David A. Graham.
- M. of W. – John Bond.
- M. of E. – Eugene A. Woodward.
- M. of F. – George J. Dehn.
- K. of R. and S. – Wm. B. St. John.
- M. of A. – Albert E. Robbins.
- Trustee – John N. Outhwite [*sic* – *Outhwaite*]
- Representative – D.A. Graham.
- Alternate – Wm. B. St. John.

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## Epworth League Election.

At a meeting of the members of the Central M.E. church Epworth League held last Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- President – Ellen Sundstrom.
- 1st Vice-Pres. – Mary E. Keast.
- 2nd Vice-Pres. – Birdie V. Thomas.
- 3rd Vice-Pres. – Parmeda Brown.
- Secretary – Clara Tiddy.
- Treasurer – Stella Hicks.

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## Woman's Relief Corps.

P. O'Connell W.R.C., [*sic*] elected the following officers at a regular meeting held last Monday evening:

- President – Mrs. Lizzie Bradford.
- S.V.P. – Mrs. Amanda Burbank.
- J.V.P. – Mrs. Mary Schoblaske.
- Chaplain – Mrs. Sarah Thomas.
- Conductor – Mrs. Louisa Foster.
- Guard – Mrs. Mary O'Connell.
- Treasurer – Mrs. Mary McCormick.
- Secretary – Miss Birdie V. Thomas.

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## Christian Endeavors.

The following officers were elected at a recent meeting of the Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church: President, Helen B. Sturgis; vice-president, Elva F. Stebbens; corresponding secretary, Emma Keene; recording secretary, Edith Mead; treasurer, L.S. McEnany.

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Probate Court Estate of Joseph French filed by Maggie French, age 36, residing in City of Iron Mountain, widow; John French, aged 49, brother residing at Escanaba, Mich.; Julia Bons, sister, aged 47, residing at Escanaba; Betsy Dupea, aged 36 years, sister, residing at Escanaba.

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## SHORT LOCALGRAPHS.

The **Commercial hotel** had an exceedingly narrow escape from being destroyed by fire last Monday night. A defective chimney caused the trouble.

**Rev. Edw. Earle**, one of the first pastors of the **Episcopal church** here, may succeed **Bishop Rowe** at the **Soo**. He is now stationed at Towas [*sic - Tawas*] and recently dedicated a fine church.

An **Episcopal church social** will be held in the **Spencer block** New Year's eve. Dancing, cards and refreshments. Committee of arrangements: Misses **Annie Jacques**, **Kittie McConnell**, **Belle Gilky**, **Zoda Rhodes**, **Carrie McConnell**. Admission, 25 cents.

The council is again discussing the matter of **watchman and safety gates at the several railroad crossings**, and there is talk of an ordinance compelling the railroad companies to maintain either one or the other the year around. The aldermen have such spells as this about every three months, but they never result in anything but talk.

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### Iron Mt. Electric Light & Power Co.

IRON MOUNTAIN, Dec. 22d, 1895.  
To Whom It May Concern: -

You are hereby advised that **W.D. Kurz** is no longer in the employ of this Company,

and is not authorized to make any collections or transact any business of any kind in its behalf.

Any requests for material or services, or complaints of any nature, presented at the office of the Company, in the **Wood's Block**, will receive prompt attention.

Yours respectfully,

**IRON MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER Co.**, by **Francis A. Brown**, President.

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### Fatality at Witbeck.

At Witbeck, this county, one day this week, a skid slipped and struck **Richard Dars**, killing him instantly. Dars was a resident of Abrams, and the remains were taken there for burial. He was an employe [*sic - employee*] of the **Fence River Logging Co.**

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### WHISKY'S WAGES.

#### One Man Killed and Two Others Badly Injured Near Balsam.

Three Polanders - **Joseph Denkensky**, **John Powlak** and **Frank Wachowsky** - all under the influence of liquor, laid down on the **Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul** track near **Balsam** last Sunday morning to sleep off their jag [*hangover*]. In consequence of their indiscretion, Denkensky is dead, Powlak is so badly injured that his recovery is not expected, and Wachowsky will



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require medical attendance for some weeks.

The men were employed in one of the lumber camps in that neighborhood. They had spent the night in drinking, and were on their way to **Amasa** for another supply of liquor. They were struck by a special northbound freight train, which left here last Saturday night in charge of **Conductor Beech**.

The accident occurred at about 7:30 o'clock in the morning, one mile from **Balsam**. The timber is very heavy at this point, and the weather being very foggy, made it impossible for **Engineer Elliott [to]** see any great distance in advance of his engine. When the men were discovered asleep on the track it was too late to bring the train to a standstill, though running at a low rate of speed. **Denkensky** was the first man struck, and he was lying directly across the track. He was cut to pieces. **Powlak** was only partly on the track and he had both legs ground to a pulp. **Wachowsky** was lying near **Powlak** and when the cowcatcher struck **Powlak** he was thrown to one side and in this way escaped with but few bruises. The body of **Denkensky** and the injured men were taken to **Amasa**, where they were cared for at the expense of the railroad company. **Denkensky** and **Powlak** came from **Stiles Junction** and **Wachowsky** from **Pulaski, Wis.**

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### SHORT LOCALGRAPHS.

There was another death in the **Fragel family** last Monday. This is the fourth child that has died.

The social for the benefit of the **Episcopal church** will be held at the **opera house** on **New Year's eve**. This will be a splendid opportunity for the young people "to watch the old year out and the new year in." There will be music for dancing and an opportunity for card playing. Refreshments will be served at a moderate price.

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### LOCAL PENCILINGS.

**Phil Mitchell** got a broken leg in his stocking.

The **Salvation Army** has made some improvements to the **Ludington street barracks**.

Miss **Mamie Leisenring**, of the **Central school**, is quite ill at the home of **Postmaster Schuldes**.

Iron Mountain youngsters – a number of them at least – are battling with the measles and mumps.

**George Irving** has been appointed superintendent of the **Iron Mountain Electric Light & Power company** and entered upon his duties last Monday morning. The appointment is one that gives the utmost satisfaction to patrons of the company. Mr. Irving has been a resident of Iron Mountain for the past four or five years, during which time he has conducted himself in a manner to win the respect and esteem of the community. We predict that he will make the best superintendent the company ever had.

### Personal and Social News.

## **SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER**

### **Thursday, November 15, 2018**

Eight members were present when the Dickinson County Genealogical Society met at 1:05 p.m. in the Local History and Genealogy Room of the Dickinson County Library. President Bill Cummings presided and announced the distribution of the November issue of *Dickinson Diggings* for 2018.

Minutes of the October 25, 2018 meeting were read by Secretary Kay Carlson with no additions or corrections.

Treasurer Miriam Belding presented a report for the period from October 25, 2018 to November 15, 2018. The balance on hand on October 25 was \$2,984.08 to which a deposit of \$24.00 was made for membership dues. One disbursement of \$30.00 was made to North Country Website Design. The balance on hand on November 15 was \$2,978.08 less encumbered funds of \$199.00, leaving a balance of \$2,779.08 for general purposes.

Under New Business nominations for the officers of vice-president and treasurer were requested. No names were submitted for the vice-president position. Miriam Belding graciously agreed to remain as treasurer.

"The Prohibition Era on the Eastern Menominee Iron Range – Part 1" will be presented by Bill Cummings on January 24, and Part 2 will be the program for the February 28 meeting. The meetings will take place in the Multi-Purpose Room of the library.

The business meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. The program by Kay Carlson was about the naturalization of immigrants. Several different documents from her personal collection were made available for examination.

Kay S. Carlson, Secretary

### **Thursday, January 24, 2019**

Twenty-two members and guests gathered in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Dickinson County Library in anticipation of the program for Dickinson County Genealogical Society (DCGS).

President Bill Cummings called the business meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Secretary Kay Carlson read the minutes of the November 15, 2018 meeting. There were no additions or corrections.

Treasurer Miriam Belding presented two reports: the annual report and the monthly report.

For the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 the balance on hand on January 1 was \$3,121.10. Deposits totaled \$803.00 and disbursements totaled \$821.07 leaving a balance on hand of \$3,103.03 on December 31, 2018.

For the period November 15, 2018 to January 24, 2019 the beginning balance was \$2,978.08. Membership dues totaling \$387.00 and donations totaling \$25.00 were deposited. The following disbursements were made: \$39.05 for mailing quarterlies and \$161.00 for our website, leaving the balance on hand of \$3,190.03. Encumbered funds were itemized as \$275.00 for printing quarterlies, \$200.00 postage for quarterlies, and \$175.00 for upkeep of our website. Funds of \$2,540.03 are available for general purposes.

Bill Cummings announced the collections in the DCL's Local History and Genealogy Room are being reevaluated. Materials pertinent to Dickinson County, Michigan's Upper Peninsula and northeastern Wisconsin most apply to the scope of the collection. Materials not pertaining to the area mentioned above will be reevaluated and either given to the Friends of the Library for their book sales or removed.

Miriam Belding will purchase books and a DVD about Robert J. Flaherty (February 16, 1884, Iron Mountain – July 23, 1951, Dummerston, Vermont) who was the eldest of six children of Robert and Susan Flaherty. The family moved to northwest Ontario, Canada, when Robert was 13 years old.

Flaherty was an American filmmaker who directed and produced the first commercially successful feature length documentary film, *Nanook of the North* in 1922. The film made his reputation and nothing in his later life equaled its success. Another documentary, *Moana*, set in the South Seas, was released in 1926.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. Bill Cummings presented Part One of "Prohibition Era on the Eastern Menominee Range" for the program.

The above PowerPoint presentation can be viewed on the Dickinson County Library's website ([dcl-lib.org](http://dcl-lib.org)) under the Local History and Genealogy tab in Local History PowerPoint Presentations.

Kay S. Carlson, Secretary

# DICKINSON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 2019

William J. Cummings, President  
Kay Carlson, Acting Vice-President

Kay Carlson, Secretary/Historian  
Miriam Belding, Treasurer  
William J. Cummings, Quarterly Editor

**MEETINGS:** Regular meetings of the DCGS are held the fourth Thursday of January, February, March, April, May, September and October at 1:00 p.m. in the Local History Room of the Dickinson County Library. In November the DCGS meets the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the same place. No meetings are held in June, July, August and December. Visitors are always welcome.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Memberships in the DCGS run for the calendar year. Dues are \$12.00 per year for a single membership or \$15.00 per couple. Dues are renewable as of January 1. Membership includes the year's four issues of Dickinson Diggings. Back issues for Volumes I-XXXVII are available for \$10.00 postpaid per volume. A limited supply of back issues is available. Please write first to ascertain availability and enclose a S.A.S.E. for a reply. Members desiring a membership card should also write indicating this desire, and enclose a S.A.S.E. for a reply.

**RESEARCH POLICY:** At this time, the DCGS does not undertake research projects for individuals.

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[If you have previously submitted your surnames, you need not resubmit them with this renewal form.]

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