

AFTER 55 YEARS A WADENA RESIDENT, A PROGRESS REPORT BY HARALD E. BOEN as reported in the Pioneer Journal of December 28, 1967

BURIALS IN WRONG CEMETERY LOTS, SNOW STORM MAY 16, CREATE PROBLEMS IN 1907 (From the Pioneer Journal 1907 issue).

Saturday a projecting beam on a freight train struck one of the coaches of passenger train No. 6, and shattered eight windows. The accident occurred between this city and Verndale. Passengers were very much frightened but no one was hurt. Accidents of this kind are frequent since the double track was put in use. Passenger trains are often struck by projecting car doors or timbers in meeting freight trains going in opposite directions.

The deep snow of winter often cause mistakes to be made in locating lots in the cemetery. For instance last winter the snow was four or five feet deep all over the cemetery and it was almost impossible to find the exact location of the lots. As a result A. W. Wheeler and L. E. Stinehour were buried on wrong lots. Mr. Wheeler was laid to rest on the Annett lot and Mr. Stinehour on the Brice lot. Last week the remains of both were removed and reinterred.

The ladies of the cemetery association are making an effort to build a receiving vault at the cemetery and are deserving of hearty encouragement. The ladies hope to have the vault built and in readiness before another winter sets in.

Snow storm May 16th. The continued chilly weather culminated Tuesday night in a severe snow storm and Wednesday morning the ground was covered with snow several inches deep. The sun came out bright and warm yesterday morning and by evening not a sign of the snow remained. The storm was very severe in the Red River Valley and trains were blocked. The Fergus Falls branch passenger train and the main line trains were blocked in Dakota for a few hours but the snow disappeared quickly and no damage was done.

Arthur Murray went to Minneapolis last week to bring home the new Winton automobile his father bought last season. The car is a very nice one and is of the more expensive kind, and is large and roomy, developing 24 hp. Arthur was accompanied to the cities by his brother Will and they started from the cities Monday, but up to time this was written last evening they had failed to arrive. Whether they had trouble with the car itself or whether the roads were bad is not known. It is believed they have met with no serious difficulty or so word would have been received.

Paul Dahlvang, of Lyons township, who owns a sawmill at Oylen postoffice, was in town Monday. He reports that he has finished sawing at his mill and is now sawing shingles and running the planer. He has cut 700,000 feet of lumber this year.

S. J. White, carrier on route No. 1, is having a good deal of trouble with his automobile which he bought some time ago for use on his mail route. The machine will not run. Mr. White sent for some extras for the machine but the new parts would not cause the machine to run, and he finally