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To the Editor of the Labor World:

Dear Sir: I have enough of faith in your spirit of fairness to believe that if you had listened to my speech in Superior that the editorial in reference to it would not have been written.

A partial, off-hand report was made I understand, though I have not seen it. But to take one part of the speech without its various connections would hardly be a fair treatment of the speech as a whole. Every individual who listened to that speech will tell you that I said the things that you seem to think I should have said. I deprecated the idea of a businessman's administration solely, but advocated a businesslike and expert administration of affairs; and stated distinctly and emphatically that the drygoods man might know the price of cotton and calico; that the lumberman might know the value of stumpage and lumber; that the haardware man might know the price of pig iron and nails; that the coal man and the groceryman and other successful businessmen might be similarly informed, but that would be no reason to suppose that they had any expert knowledge that would enable them to serve as competent public officials.

I have said time and time again, publicly and privately, that the average, intelligent craftsman, through reading and studying his periodicals and being more familiar with human motives and necessity was better informed as to matters of political economy and governmental conduct than the average businessman who only was informed as to the market reports. I think I used, as I remember, these very words. I stated that the man who ran the city's government should be chosen because of the knowledge that he possessed for the particular position that he might occupy; that he might come from the laboring classes or any other class; that if men could not be chosen because of their expert knowlddge, then men should be promoted from the ranks of the city officials and the council, who come more nearly knowing the workings of municipal affairs.

I stated distinctly that no man should be allowed to legislate for the people who had any selfish interest in such legislation; that the lawyer should not be allowed to legislate for his clients; the heavy businessman or contractor for a thing that might affect his business; or the tradesman who might through necessity be inclined to support the interests of his patrons as against the public good; this applied to one as well as the other. And in support of that I contended that men who were appointed to manage the city's affairs should have no connection with any business that might be affected by his official salary to enable them to give their whole time to the affairs of the city; that because of these small salaries men were recruited from the crafts and smaller tradesmen, and that special interests began immediaately to place them under obligations which might in time out weigh their obligations to the city. This I regarded as a natural outcome. The reflection was as much against the business man as against the laboring man.

Never in my life, either privately or publicly, have I made any such reflections against the mechanic. In fact, I have been, I think, more than fair in every particular. I myself have never been anything else but a mechanic—first a farmer, then a printer, then a stone cutter, then a mechanical dentist. I regard myself as good but no better than this class of men. To define my attitude in any other manner is unfair; and I rely upon your love of fair play to correct any such impressions.

Yours,
M. B. CULLUM.

When you do not get what you want, want something better and be determined to get it.

WATER RATES.

To the Editor of Labor World:

Replying to the Water Board's argument that present rates are correct and equitable I wish to submit the following:

The cost of any or all of the water is not simply the cost of pumping but the actual cost of every 10000 gallons pumped and sold during 1910 according to the statements and admissions of the board or manager was as follows:

Pumping	1.5 cents
Services	2.7 cents
Interest on Bonds	5.6 cents

making a trifle under 10 cents for each 1000 gallons pumped and sold without any allowance for depreciation or a sinkink fund.

The board's argument of the excess receipts over pumping cost being profit can be carried still further and the claim made that all of the receipts are profit except the cost of oil and electricity as all of the other expenses must be paid for anyway by the families and taxpayers."

All of the water sold at less than 10 cents for each 1000 gallons was sold below cost. The pumping charge is the least item in the three divisions of cost.

Certain data relating to the Proctor supply asked of the "very best authority" was refused to be given to avoid "embarassing" the board. If facts will embarass the board they are due to be embarassed.

The pumping charge to Proctor to supply a 1,000,000 gallons daily not only includes double pumpage but an increased size of mains and more pumps which will cause an additional interest burden of several thousand dollars annually.

The provision that they are required to sell on the same scale as charged in Duluth makes no difference either way to the citizens of Duluth.

I challenge the Proctor Water Co., to submit the figures for August, 1910, to show a loss with the water sold at the rate of 23 1-3 cents for each 1000 gallons. (The present meter rate to families in Duluth).

If the R. R. Co., at Proctor uses a large proportion and pays only 4 or 5 cents a 1000 gallons and a large proportion of the services are unmetered it is on a basis to show a loss till the end of time.

The argument of Proctor being a neighbor and requiring pure water to avoid disease and epidemics also applies to Superior and for one I am in favor of supplying both neighbors and St. Paul and Minneapolis at a fair profit but to neither at a loss.

In the warm weather when certain conditions exist the board will admit that the water in all of the reservoirs will become affected by the animalculae found in the warm waters of the bay and carried out into the lake.

The board stated that the double line of pipe, one leading into and the other from the West Duluth reservoir would cause constant circulation that would keep the water pure and healthful. The further increase of circulation by supplying Proctor at a fraction of the cost is simply en excuse thought of later. The Proctor bird is not a goose laying golden eggs but a gander.

However, the only business the citizens of Duluth have in the matter of the Proctor supply is the price they pay.

The practice with other municipal plants as far as heard from is to supply water to suburban towns at a profit above all expenses.

Many think that hydraulic elevators cause water rams that injure the mains and plumbing and therefore a source of loss and damage so that the loss of that business would be of benefit to the plant.

It is commonly supposed that water used in boilers is better for being pure and free from material causing scale.

The board are silent in discussing the rate as applied to the hotels, laundries although several of the largest users in August were of this class.

There is no user in the position to demand wholesale rates as being able to take the whole output but all are comparatively small users and are in a position of taking only what they need from time to time and of shutting off the supply at any time.

Therefore an equal meter rate per 1000 gallons to all users similar to the method of distributing the gas among all users is the most equitable and with a fuller understanding by the community will be demanded.

A commission in Wisconsin has been established for several years and one of its duties is to fix rates for municipalities. In a recent case they divided the charge for water into two parts, one for usual size of meter of 25 cents a month and the other for water as follows up to and including 75,000 cubic feet a half year at the rate of 6 cents per 100 cubic feet above that at rate of 5 cents. That is close enough to an equal meter rate to all consumers.

The board will do well to read the method of arriving at the cost of water by the highest authority in the land, the U. S. government in the 14th annual report of the commissioner of labor.

The assertion that large users will quit if the rate is increased can only be met with the other assertion that they will not quit.

The Hillside clubs desire to bring the rate question and other questions before a fair and impartial tribunal.

Yours truly,
CHAN SMITH

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Order for Hearing on Petition for Administration.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis, ss. In Probate Court.
In the matter of the estate of Joseph Dolson, Decedent.

The petition of Frank A. Noble of Duluth, Minnesota, having been filed in this Court, representing, among other things, that Joseph Dolson, then being a resident of the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, died intestate, in the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, on the 13th day of April, 1911; leaving estate in the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, and that said petitioner is the guardian of the minor children of said decedent, and praying that letters of administration of the estate of said decedent be granted to Frank A. Noble.

It Is Ordered, That said petition be heard before this Court, at the Probate Court Rooms in the Court House in Duluth, in said County, on Monday, the 15th day of May, 1911, at ten o'clock, A. M., and all persons interested in said hearing and in said matter are hereby cited and required at said time and place to show cause, if any there be, why said petition should not be granted.

Ordered Further, That this order be served by publication in The Labor World according to law, and that a copy of this order be served on the County Treasurer of St. Louis County not less than ten days prior to said day of hearing.

Dated at Duluth, Minn., April 17th, 1911.

By the Court,
S. W. GILPIN,
Judge of Probate.
(Seal Probate Court, St. Louis Co., Minn.)
L. W., April 22, 29, May 6, 1911.

Order of Hearing on Petition for Administration.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis.—ss. In Probate Court.
In the Matter of the Estate of Louise Wieland, Decedent.

The petition of Theodore F. Wieland of Duluth, Minnesota, having been filed in this Court, representing, among other things, that Louise Wieland, then being a resident of the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, died intestate, in the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, on the 13th day of April, 1911; leaving estate in the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, and that said petitioner is a son of said decedent, and praying that Letters of Administration of the estate of said decedent be granted to Theodore F. Wieland.

It is ordered, that said petition be heard before this Court, at the Probate Court Rooms in the Court House in Duluth, in said County, on Monday the 15th day of May, 1911, at 10 o'clock a. m., and all persons interested in said hearing and in said matter are hereby cited and required at said time and place to show cause, if any there be, why said petition should not be granted.

Ordered Further, that this order be served by publication in The Labor World according to law, and that a copy of this order be served on the County Treasurer of St. Louis County not less than ten days prior to said day of hearing.

Dated at Duluth, Minn., April 20th, 1911.

By the Court,
S. W. GILPIN,
Judge of Probate.
(Seal Probate Court, St. Louis County, Minnesota.)
L. W., April 22, 29, May 6, 1911.

SUMMONS.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis. In District Court, Eleventh Judicial District.
Robert A. Jones,
Plaintiff,
vs.
Montgomery L. Cormany, Thophile Gogive, Henry R. Wilson, Susie M. Brennan, M. L. Cormany, John D. Stryker, Arthur P. Cook, William Barnett, John H. Clark, International Trust Company, a corporation, American Loan & Trust Company, a corporation, Charles A. Howard, and all other persons or parties unknown, claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint.
Defendants.

The State of Minnesota to the above named Defendants:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action, which is filed in the office of Clerk of the District Court, of the County of St. Louis and State of Minnesota, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber at his office in the Columbia Building, Duluth, St. Louis County, Minnesota, within twenty days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service, and, if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated April 11th, 1911.

JOHN B. ARNOLD,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
316-317 Columbia Bldg.,
Duluth, Minnesota.

NOTICE OF LIS PENDENS.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis. In District Court, Eleventh Judicial District.
Robert A. Jones,
Plaintiff.
vs.
Montgomery L. Cormany, Thophile Gogive, Henry R. Wilson, Susie M. Brennan, M. L. Cormany, John D. Stryker, Arthur P. Cook, William Barnett, John H. Clark, International Trust Company, a corporation, American Loan & Trust Company, a corporation, Charles A. Howard, and all other persons or parties unknown, claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint.
Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That an action has been commenced in the District Court for St. Louis County, Minnesota, by the above named plaintiff against the above named defendants; the object of which is to try the adverse claims of the defendants and each of them to the lands and premises hereinafter described and to obtain a decree of said Court, determining and adjudging that none of the said defendants have any interest in or lien upon said lands and premises or any part thereof and that the title of the plaintiff to said premises is good and valid and that the defendants and each of them be forever barred and enjoined from claiming any right, title or interest in or to said lands and premises or any part thereof.

The complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court in and for said St. Louis County, Minnesota.

The property described in said complaint is situated in the County of St. Louis and State of Minnesota, to-wit:

Undivided four-fifths of each and every Lot and Block in Richard Cullen's Addition to Duluth according to the recorded plat thereof, said addition being the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section Four, Township Fifty North, Range Fourteen West.

Dated April 11th, 1911.

JOHN B. ARNOLD,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
316-317 Columbia Bldg.,
Duluth, Minnesota.
L. W., April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, 27, 1911.

Summons.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis—ss. In Municipal Court, City of Virginia.
Henry G. Seeley, doing business as the Biwabik Hardware Company,
Plaintiff,
vs.
Charles J. Eklund,
Defendant.

The State of Minnesota to the above named Defendant:

You, Charles J. Eklund, are hereby summoned and required to aswer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action, which complaint has been filed in the office of the clerk of said Municipal Court, at the City of Virginia, County of Saint Louis, and State of Minnesota, and to serve a copy of your answer on the subscriber at his office in the Village of Biwabik in the said County of Saint Louis, Minnesota, within ten (10) days after the service of this summons upon you exclusive of the day of such service and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid the plaintiff in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of One Hundred Forty-five and 63-100 Dollars ($145.63) with interest thereon at the rate of six per cent (6 per cent) per annum since the 14th day of January, 1911, together with the plaintiff's costs and disbursements herein.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1911.

DON C. ANDERSON,
Plaintiff's Attorney,
Cohen Building, Biwabik, Minnesota.
L. W., Apr. 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, 1911.

Summons in Application for Registration of Land.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis—ss. District Court, 11th Judicial District.

In the matter of the application of John P. Geistman to register the title to the following described real estate situated in St. Louis County, Minnesota, namely:

Commencing at the Southwest (S. W.) corner of Northwest quarter (N. W. ¼) of Section Two (2), Township Forty-nine (49), North Range Fifteen (15), West, thence North (N.) Forty (40) rods, thence East (E.) Forty (40) rods, thence South (S.) Forty (40) rods, and thence West (W.) Forty (40) rods to place of commencement.

Applicant,
vs.
Leva Peterson, Lena Magnesson, St Louis County, Parlan Semple, Roscoe W. Gilkey, Frerker Brothers and Company, a corporation, A. E. Herschleb, The Western Land Association of Minnesota, a corporation, Juho Kivissaari, Harsham Shoe Manufacturing Company, a corporation, Sharood Shoe Company, a corporation, and all other persons or parties unknown, claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the application herein,
Defendants.

The State of Minnesota to the above named Defendants:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the application of the applicant in the above entitled proceeding and to file your answer to the said application in the office of the Clerk of said Court, in said County, within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service, and, if you fail to answer the said application within the time aforesaid, the applicant in this proceeding will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein.

Witness, J. P. Johnson, Clerk of said Court, and the seal thereof, at Duluth, in said County, this 20th day of January, A. D. 1911.

(Seal.) J. P. JOHNSON, Clerk.
By R. E. JOHNSON, Deputy.
HARRY W. LANNERS,
Attorney for Applicant.
L. W., April 15, 22, 29, 1911.

Order to Examine Final Account.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis—ss. In Probate Court.
In the Matter of the Estate of John Heden, also known as John Hedin, also known as John Hedeen, also known as Johan R. Hedin, decedent.

The Petition of Emanuel A. Swanstrom as special representative of the above named decedent, together with his final account of the special administraton of said estate, having been filed in this court, representing, among other things that he has fully administered said estate, and praying that said final account of said special administration be examined, adjusted and allowed by the Court, and for the discharge of the special representative and the sureties on his bond(upon filing the receipt of the general representative for the estate turned over to such general representative by said special representative.

It Is Ordered, That said petition be heard, and said final account examined, adjusted and allowed by the Court, at the Probate Court Rooms in the Court House, in the City of Duluth in said County, on Monday, the 8th day of May, 1911, at ten o'clock A. M., and all persons interested in said hearing and in said matter are hereby cited and required at said time and place to show cause, if any there be, why said petition should not be granted.

Ordered Further, That this order be served by publication in The Labor World according to law.

Dated at Duluth, Minn., April 7th, 1911.

By the Court,
S. W. GILPIN,
Judge of Probate.
(Seal Probate Court, St. Louis Co., Minn.)
L. W., Apr. 15, 22, 29, 1911.

Order for Hearing on Petition for Administration.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis—ss. In Probate Court.
In the Matter of the Estate of Patrick McMahon, Decedent.

The Petition of Margaret Davenport having been filed in this Court, representing, among other things, that Patrick McMahon, then being a resident of the County of Juno, State of Wisconsin, died intestate, in the County of Juno, State of Wisconsin, on the 23rd day of October, 1910; leaving estate in the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, and that said petitioner is the sister of said decedent, and praying that Letters of Administration of the estate of said decedent be granted to Margaret Davenport.

It Is Ordered, That said petition be heard before this Court, at the Probate Court Rooms in the Court House in Duluth, in said County, on Monday, the 8th day of May, 1911, at ten o'clock A. M., and all persons interested in said hearing and in said matter are hereby cited and required at said time and place to show cause, if any there be, why said petition should not be granted.

Ordered Further, That this Order be served by publication in The Labor World, according to law, and that a copy of this Order be served on the County Treasurer of St. Louis County not less then ten days prior to said day of hearing.

Dated at Duluth, Minn., April 6th, 1911.

By the Court,
S. W. GILPIN.
Judge of Probate.
(Seal Probate Court, St. Louis Co., Minn.)
L. W., Apr. 15, 22, 29, 1911.

Summons in Application for Registration of Land.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis, ss. District Court, 11th Judicial District.

In the matter of the application of Ellen C. Smith to register the title to the following described real estate situated in St. Louis County, Minnesota, namely: The South West quarter of the South East quarter, the East half of the South West quarter and the South West quarter of the South West quarter of Section No. Seventeen of Township No. Sixty-two North of Range No. Thirteen West of the 4th P. M.

Ellen C. Smith,
Applicant,
vs.
Minnesota Packing and Provision Company, Minneapolis Stock Yards and Packing Company, and all other persons or parties unknown, claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the application herein.
Defendants.

The State of Minnesota to the above named Defendants:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the application of the applicant in the above entitled proceeding and to file your answer to the said application in the office of the Clerk of said Court, in said County, within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service, and, if you fail to answer the said application within the time aforesaid, the applicant in this proceeding will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein.

Witness, J. P. Johnson, Clerk of said Court, and the seal thereof, at Duluth, in said County, this twelfth day of April, A. D. 1911.

J. P. JOHNSON, Clerk.
By R. E. JOHNSON, Deputy.
(Seal of District Court, St. Louis County, Minnesota.)
S. F. WHITE,
Attorney for Applicant.
L. W., April 15, 22, 29, 1911.

Order for Hearing on Petition for Administration.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis—ss. In Probate Court.
In the Matter of the Estate of Peter Haroldson, Decedent.

The Petition of Hans B. Haroldson, having been filed in this Court, representing, among other things, that Peter Haroldson, then being a resident of the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, died intestate, in the County of Denver, State of Colorado, on the 6th day of April, 1911; leaving estate in the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, and that said petitioner is the son of said decedent, and praying that Letters of Administration of the estate of sad decedent be granted to Hans B. Haroldson.

It Is Ordered, That said petition be heard before this Court, at the Probate Court Rooms in the Court House in Duluth, in said County, on Monday, the 8th day of May, 1911, at ten o'clock, A. M., and all persons interested in said hearing and in said matter are hereby cited and required at said time and place to show cause, if any there be, why said petition should not be granted.

Ordered Further, That this Order be served by publication in the Labor World according to law, and that a copy of this Order be served on the County Treasurer of St. Louis County not less than ten days prior to said day of hearing.

Dated at Duluth, Minn., April 12th, 1911.

By the Court,
S. W. GILPIN,
Judge of Probate.
(Seal Probate Court, St. Louis Co., Minn.)
L. W. April 15. 22. 29. 1911.

Mortgage Foreclosure Sale.

Default having been made in the payment of the sum of Four Hundred Sixteen and 15-100 ($416.15) Dollars, which is claimed to be due and is due at the date of this notice upon a certain Mortgage, duly executed and delivered by Helena Shepinsky and Daniel Shepinsky, her husband, Mortgagors, to Jacob Skala, Mortgagee, bearing date the 19th day of April, 1909, and with a power of sale therein contained, duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for the County of St. Louis, and State of Minnesota, on the 22nd day of April, 1909, at 8 o'clock A. M., in Book 142 of Mortgages, on page 470, and no action or proceeding having been instituted, at law or otherwise, to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given, That by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises described in and conveyed by said Mortgage, viz.:

Lot numbered Four (4) in Block numbered Four (4) of the Second Addition to Chisholm, according to the recorded plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for the county of St. Louis and State of Minnesota, in St. Louis County and State of Minnesota, with the hereditaments and appurtenances; which sale will be made by the Sheriff of said St. Louis County at the front door of the Court House, in the city of Duluth in said County and State, on the 27th day of May, 1911, at 10 o'clock A. M., of that day, at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay said debt of Four Hundred Sixteen and 15-100 Dollars, and interest, and the taxes, if any, on said premises, and Twenty-five Dollars Attorney's fees, as stipulated in and by said Mortgage in case of foreclosure, and the disbursements allowed by law; subject to redemption at any time within one year from the day of sale, as provided by law.

Dated April 4th, A. D. 1911.

JACOB SKALA,
Mortgagee.
CHARLES C. TEARE,
Attorney for Mortgagee,
610 Manhattan Bldg.,
Duluth, Minn.
L. W., Apr. 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 1911.

SUMMONS.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF St. Louis.
Louis Levine,
Plaintiff,
vs.
Tilly Levine,
Defendant.

The State of Minnesota to the Above Named Defendant:

You, Tilly Levine, are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action, which complaint is herewith served upon you and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber at his office in the City of Duluth, County and State aforesaid, within 30 days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint, and take judgment against you as prayed for in the complaint.

WM. MARX,
Plaintiff's Attorney.
400 Columbia Bldg.,
Duluth, Minn.
L. W., March 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 1911.

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