

CITY NEWS

The Eli Baquet-Yale annual of the northwest will hold their annual meeting and banquet next Saturday evening at the Minneapolis Club.

Hoff Is Discharged—Merritt D. Hoff, formerly of this city in the employ of the Northern Pacific railroad department, has been released from custody in Chicago.

Mr. Zonne Recognized—The firm of J. F. Conklin & Co. changed its name on Jan. 1 to that of J. F. Conklin & Zonne company, to give due recognition to A. E. Zonne, who has been vice-president and treasurer of the company for several years.

Council Chamber Is Safe—After a careful examination of the floor system of the council chamber, City Engineer Sublette and Building Inspector Houghton have officially reported to the incoming mayor that the floor is amply able to hold up all that the room will accommodate.

They Criticize Twain—Mark Twain's reference to Christendom, in his dispatch to the Cross walk night service, as featuring bedraggled, half-starved and disheveled from pirate raids in Kiao-Chau, Manchuria, South Africa and the Philippines, with her soul full of meanness and her pocket full of blood, does not please Minneapolis ministers.

A Fourth Infantry Veteran—Michael Moran, a private in the Fourth Minnesota Infantry, died of cancer of the lip at the Soldiers' home hospital Sunday night. Mr. Moran was 58 years old and entered the home hospital for treatment last June from St. Cloud. He had been a resident of Minneapolis for forty-six years, having formerly lived at Farmington, Dakota county.

"PALMY DAYS OF OLD"

SPORTS ARE FORMING A CLUB

Billy Edwards Soliciting Members for a Club Where "Big Uns" Will Spar.

A return to the "palmy days" of the former Ames regimen, when there were almost nightly exhibitions of the many art of self-defense, and "big uns" from all over the country congregated here, was this morning given a running start by W. J. (Billy) Edwards.

Mr. Edwards was industriously soliciting signatures to a written agreement to join a club of 200 members for the promotion of boxing and athletic events. Each member will pay an admission fee of \$30, of which \$10 must be paid on demand and the remainder within six months.

The promoters of the enterprise, which is to be a "purely athletic association," must have received some satisfactory assurances from the doctor as to just what latitude is to be allowed the association, or they would hardly be proceeding along such elaborate lines.

The new club will occupy the rooms in the Kasota block, Hennepin avenue and Fourth street, soon to be made vacant by the Commercial Club.

Mr. Edwards secured over forty subscribers in a run through the big office buildings, and every one of them is one of the "real things." He says there will be no trouble in signing a hundred before the day is done.

London—The captain of the bark Idun, which has arrived at Cardiff, reports that during the gale Friday he saw three vesper spinnakers, and he says that he believed that as many as twenty-five.

Miss Adeline Tanti (Baroness Rott Cederstrom) confirms the report that she is negotiating for the sale of Crags-y-noes castle, her residence in Wales, as she desires to spend the summer in Sweden, her husband's country.

- S. Brackets 26 Fifth Street South
Oranges Sweet Florida Bussets, 30c
Lemons Thin skin and juicy, 12c
Grape Fruit Large, worth 15c, 9c
Ranberries Sound fruit, per quart, 8c
Apple Jelly Large, 9c
Raspberries Imported, per jar, 15c
Marmalade Michigan, 75c
Maple Syrup 1 gallon tins, 50c
Herring Bonnies, large, 10c
French Mustard 1/2 gallon jars, reg. 26c
Preserves Raspberries and Strawberries, 40c
Apricots California, preserved, 22c
Ginger Preserved, regular size, 19c
Coffee Athletic Club, a remarkable blend, 35c
Pickwick Coffee Per pound, 27c
Gelatin Cooper's, 10c
Butter Valley Creamery, 5 lb. jars, \$1.28
Lard Pure leaf, 9c
Catsup Home made, 12c
Olives Queen, good size, 25c
Olives California, ripe, 50c
Turnips yellow or white, 7c
Soap Monarch, 10 large bars, 28c
Starch extra quality, 14c
Salt British Table, 5c
Methas Water Safety, per dozen boxes, 8c
Bethesda Water Regular \$4.15 per case, \$3.65
Hunyadi Water Regular 25c per bottle, 18c, \$2.10
Bergundy Macon—a famous wine, 70c
Zinfandel A rich old wine—regular 50c per bottle, 35c
Sauternes extra imported, 78c
Port Wine 2 years old, a famous wine, per gallon, \$1
Cigars all dark colors at price to close out before inventory.

TWENTY IN DEFAULT

Certain Firms Haven't Yet Supplied Census Statistics.

MR. CAIRNS WORKED FOR NOTHING

As a Result He Has Found Two Hundred Firms Which Had Been Missed.

C. S. Cairns, supervisor of the census for this district, is now preparing his final schedule on subject of manufacturing, and will send them to Washington in a day or two, thus closing up his work.

There are about twenty firms now in default and liable to fine and imprisonment for having failed to all out and return schedules as prescribed by law.

When seen by The Journal this morning, Mr. Cairns made the following statement: "I have found two hundred firms which had been missed."

No one has any idea of the difficulty of getting a complete census either of population or of industries until he has tackled the job.

The census work was then supposed to be closed, but I had reason to believe that with reference to building operations and perhaps some other lines the returns were not full.

Director Merriam kindly granted me further time to investigate these lines and I took up this supplementary work the first of October.

The more I got into it the more I found to do, and when the end of that month was reached I was just getting my hand in, but in the interest of economy, the department cut off my pay and gave me liberty to quit, or to go ahead on the "free basis."

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SKIN FOR SASSONG

Two Persons Ready to Share Epidemics With Him.

ONE WOULD SEND HIM TO CHICAGO

The Patient's Chances of Recovery Through Others' Sacrifice Are Improving.

A few days ago attention was drawn to the condition of Nicholas Sossong at the city hospital. A month ago Nicholas so severely burned himself with nitric acid that to save his life it has become necessary to perform the rare operation of grafting skin over the seared places on his body.

The Journal told of the unfortunate plight of the man, who seemed to have no friends willing to sacrifice skin for him. This gave strangers an opportunity to qualify as genuine heroes.

Results have proved that the noble deed was not wholly given over to thoughts of personal pleasure.

Two letters have been received, one sent direct to The Journal office, the other to Nicholas himself at the hospital.

The Journal correspondent presented the incident to the writer, who agreed to have Nicholas sent to a hospital in Chicago, volunteering all expenses of removal and medical care at some institution at the windy city.

The letter to the hospital was from a laborer in the employ of the park board. He will heroically bare his arm if enough others can be found to make up the necessary eighteen square inches.

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THE NEW STATE MUTUAL POLICY

Is attracting much attention among insurance men. Perhaps the most unique feature is the peculiar installment options included in all policies.

First—An ordinary \$10,000 policy, for instance, will yield \$11,900 in ten installments of \$1,190 in fifteen installments, \$13,600 in twenty installments, \$14,600 in twenty-five installments and \$15,600 in thirty installments.

Second—A \$10,000 policy will yield \$10,000 in twenty installments and then \$5,250 more at the end of the twenty-first year, or \$15,250 for a \$10,000 policy.

Third—The beneficiary of a policy may draw any part of the proceeds in cash and leave the balance with the company payable on demand, and draw both interest and dividends on the balance so long as it remains with the company.

Fourth—A \$10,000 policy which becomes a claim, for instance, when the beneficiary is 60 years old, will yield \$530 a year for twenty-five years.

The State Mutual policies contain the liberal paid-up and cash surrender values and the extended insurance option provided in the amended Massachusetts insurance law.

These are among the features of the insurance line superior to the Twentieth Century policy. Any one interested who will send a card to the company's Minneapolis office will receive a specimen policy with full particulars.

W. Van Tuij, general agent, 605-9 Lumber Exchange.

JUST TO "SMOKE UP"

Republican Aldermen to Get Together This Evening.

TO GO OVER PATRONAGE LISTS

Some Ardent Eleven-Hour Work Is Being Done by Office-Seekers.

This is a busy week for the members of the new city council and would-be city officials. There are but few days left for the candidates to get the aldermen into line or effect winning combinations.

The republican aldermen will get together tonight for a preliminary discussion, and about Saturday or Monday the official caucus will be held, and the slate finally arranged.

To-night's meeting is described as an aldermanic "smoke social." Its purpose is to bring together in a social way the republican aldermen in order that they may get a line on each other's personal qualities before they settle down to business.

The meeting is to be held in the down-town office of one of the new aldermen. Each man will present his claims for patronage and there will be a general comparison of notes.

There are all sorts of guesses on the final make up of the council. The popular theory in city hall circles is that the list will include City Engineer Sublette, City Assessor Port, City Attorney Healy, City Clerk Lyman, George Wright and Measures Whitney and Building Inspector Houghton.

Mr. Houghton up to a week ago had no competitor. Then there appeared on the scene Charles F. Ferrin, a popular member of the city council, and brother-in-law of General Manager Goodrich.

He took the prescribed examination and passed. He is now an applicant for the first month's distribution of street car tickets among the aldermen has just been made, and in the same package, it is said, was the usual \$50 "annual" and a request that they do something for Mr. Ferrin.

It is thought, however, that he came into the fight too late, and that his backing is insufficient. Mr. Houghton has made an eminently satisfactory record in his re-election. Gus Runge's friends profess to be encouraged over developments in the fire chief matter, but Canterbury is yet popularly picked as the winner.

There is some talk going the rounds of a possible combination among Runge, Fred Cappelen, Ferrin and George Baxter, candidate for sealer of weights and measures, looking to their mutual advantage.

MONTANA'S FUTURE BRIGHT

Ralph H. Berry Predicts Great Things for His State.

Ralph H. Berry, one of Montana's prominent stockmen, the owner of 25,000 head of sheep, means to stay in the east. Mr. Berry says that the twentieth century has a rosette hue for Montana.

He says that the irrigation project in the present irrigation congress at Chicago, which promises so much for his state. No more fertile soil can be found in the world, he says, than that bordering on the Yellowstone.

It only shows how the big stretches of arid land along the Great Northern and Northern Pacific roads can be made to blossom like the rose if an irrigation system is put in.

The people of the state do not believe that a possible combination of big transcontinental railroads will greatly affect their interests. They are more interested in a personal interest in keeping rates as low as possible.

Physicians Give Up Hope of Col. Baasen's Recovery.

The condition of Colonel Francis Baasen, assistant adjutant general of the state, who is lying dangerously ill at the Soldiers' home hospital, is about the same, except that the patient is growing weaker.

London—The promotion of the Duke of York from the rank of captain to that of rear admiral, as a preliminary to his visit to Australia and Canada, gives universal satisfaction.

BOARD OF CONTROL

Hennepin Solons Giving the Plan Serious Consideration.

IS FEASIBLE FOR MINNESOTA

Representative Roberts Talks About the Primary Election Law Problem.

Hennepin legislators are re-considering State Auditor Dunn's pet measure, embodied in his last report, namely, revision of the tax laws and a state board of control for centralized management of all state institutions.

"The board of control system is the business proposition," said Representative W. P. Roberts yesterday. "There is no doubt in my mind of that. The only question is: Will inmates of state institutions get as good care and attention under that system as if each institution had its own board, as now? I have just received the first official report of the Iowa board of control, and I mean to study it. It is a tremendous document, though, over 1,000 pages. Iowa people seem very well satisfied with the system, and I hope it can be shown to be feasible, as it is certainly the economical way to run state institutions."

Dunn's proposition for a sixty-day session of the legislature, to make room for a thirty-day extra session on tax laws next year, is looked on with favor, but not expected to carry.

"No legislature in the history of the state has ever been known to adjourn until the last minute," said a Henderson senator. "All the proper business of a legislative session could easily be transacted in sixty days, but I have no idea that the incoming legislature will cut off a single day of its time."

If the present primary election law is tampered with at this session, W. P. Roberts says he will introduce his primary election bill again. He first introduced it two years ago, and got it through the committee, but it was sidetracked for the measure now in force.

"If I had realized the expense of this primary system," said Mr. Roberts, "I do not think it would ever have been introduced. Our primary elections last fall cost \$12,000 over and above the usual cost of registration, and over the \$2,500 taken in as fees. It may be that the people are willing to pay that much for the luxury, but I rather think they would prefer to have a system which would save fifteen years, is framed in the interests of economy. It still provides for nomination by a popular vote, but the parties are to hold separate primaries, and not on registration days. Judges are to serve gratis, and the cost of printing will be obtained by the state. The primary election men will simply declare their party affiliation, but when voters come to register they will be given an opportunity to declare their preference, and the lists thus obtained will serve as registration lists for each party at the next primaries. It does away with all possibility of voters of one party helping another party to nominate. I have received the number of inquiries about my bill, which is framed for application throughout the whole state. I shall not antagonize the present primary law, but if it comes up for amendment, I will put my bill in, just to see how it will take this time."

CONDIT TO BE PROMOTED

The Shifting of Men in the County Auditor's Office.

Auditor-elect Hugh Coot said this morning that the personnel of his office staff had not been fully settled. He does not intend to start with a complete new force, as public service might be somewhat hampered by a preliminary re-arrangement.

A Condit will be promoted to first deputy. The impression was that Otto S. Langum would be retained. Dan C. Brown, formerly cashier of the waterworks department and lately in the employ of Alderman Lloyd, was second deputy vice Frank S. McDonald. The other deputies will be Stanley R. Beizer, of the city engineer's office, and Frank Prasca, who is re-appointed.

At Erickson is to be retained as clerk to the county commissioners, a position which he has filled with satisfaction to that body. Ed Fortier will have one of the clerical positions. Six places are as yet undetermined. Doubtless most of them will be filled by reappointment.

CITY WORK FOR A YEAR

Sublette Reports on Sewer, Sidewalk, Paving, Curb, Etc.

City Engineer Sublette's forthcoming annual report giving the results of the past year's work in his department shows that this has been the busiest year for many years. There were built 7.3 miles of sewers, 5.6 miles of paving, 9.5 miles of curb and 56.2 miles of sidewalks.

The sewer, paving and curbing work was all done by day labor, the sidewalks, as customary, by contract under city supervision. There were built in 1899 5.8 miles of sewers, 2.1 miles of paving, 10.3 miles of curb and 39 miles of sidewalks. The figures for 1898 were 4 miles of sewers, 3.3 of paving, 4.6 of curb and 32.9 of sidewalks.

The aggregate work of the previous year for the past two years in each line of work is about twice that of the previous two years.

W. W. Kimball and Co. NICOLLET AVE. FIFTH STREET

ANNUAL Linen Sale AND MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SALE Begins Tomorrow Morning. Colored Dress Goods. Heavy Suitings and Flannels. Blankets and Quilts. Jackets, Suits and Fur Goods. Liberal Reduction on All the Above Lines.

Established 1852. THE PYMOUTH Wearing Apparel is our Specialty. Astrachan Jackets at Reduced Prices. Similar reductions in many other Furs to reduce stock previous to inventory. See Show Windows, Sixth and Nicollet.

CAN'T SEE THE COMET Large Telescope needed for Caelestin's Discovery. Lick Observatory, Cal., Jan. 2—The comet recently discovered by Giovanni Caelestin at Nice, France, in the constellation of Taurus, has been observed here the past week by Mr. Aitken. It is a faint object of the eleventh magnitude, and therefore requires a telescope of considerable size to observe it.

BRIGHT RED GASOLENE A Precaution Which May Be Prescribed by Law. It is likely that Jay W. Phillips will father a bill compelling dealers who handle gasoline for the retail trade, to color that dangerous and explosive liquid a vivid red as a sign of danger and a warning that it must be handled with care.

AFTER 6 O'CLOCK TO-NIGHT. And every night until 6 A. M. the LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE rates are approximately ONE-HALF THE DAY RATES. No charge for making appointments to talk at a specified time. Try the Night Service. Northwestern Telephone Exchange Company. Contract Department, Telephone Main 41. Office, West Hotel.

20th CENTURY PIANO SEWING A KIMBALL'S ONE PRICE TO ALL. Your five-year old child can buy as cheaply as the shrewdest bargain driver. ONLY ONE PROFIT. No Commissions. The price of your piano is not increased by the payment of commissions to canvassers or teachers. AN IDEAL PIANO. You secure one of a line of pianos which is the most popular and talked of in America. TERMS TO SUIT. You can pay cash or buy on small monthly payments, to suit your pocketbook. W. W. KIMBALL CO. FACTORY BRANCH 718 NICOLLET AVE.

Caught the Wrong Man

Apologies and regrets were passed freely between a few theological students at Evanston, Ill., and a newspaper man from Minneapolis a few weeks ago. The parties concerned carefully guarded the secret, but, as usual in such cases, it has leaked out.

It seems that for some time the "theologues" at Evanston had been annoyed by frequent visits to their rooms by some unknown, who appropriated small articles of value. They decided to keep a careful watch and, if they caught any stranger in any of their rooms during the owner's absence, to make an example of him.

NEW MAGNATE IS HERE

Benji Booking His Western League Minneapolis Team. A. B. Beall, manager of the Minneapolis baseball team in the Western League, was in St. Paul to-day, but did not come over to the flour city, where he hopes to become a baseball magnate before long. He says that Minneapolis will be a member of the Western League in spite of Ban Johnson, Clarence Sauphaug and all the American leaguers and western associates. He is now busy securing men for Minneapolis and promises a fast bunch.