

CITY NEWS

More Power for Pillsbury A—New water wheels of 2,500 horse power are to be put in the Pillsbury A mill, and the down-stream tail race will be enlarged.

Couldn't Work With Jackson—Thos. Carey, superintendent of the alarm of St. Paul fire department, resigned his position at a meeting of the fire commissioners last night.

Walker Proposition Still Up—The paving committee of the council Wednesday postponed action on the season's paving schedule and T. B. Walker's proposition until next Monday.

JUDGE'S HEART TOUCHED

SAD CASES OF TWO YOUNG MEN A Mother's Heartbroken Letters and Their Own Statements Result in a Lighter Sentence.

Pity for a broken-hearted mother touched Judge Brooks' heart yesterday when Huber Stringfield and George E. Keller stood before the bar of justice and asked for mercy.

Keller stood impassive, but Stringfield was unerved. The tears started from his eyes, he bit his lips and hung his head.

"This has been a great lesson to me," he said, "and it is my purpose to make an honorable amendment in the future."

The letters were passed up to the court who silently perused a mother's affecting messages to a son gone wrong.

His mother was prostrated as a result of his arrest. Then Judge Brooks allowed him to make a statement before.

MAYOR AMES IS GUNNING

THE POLICE RELIEF ASSOCIATION The Mayor Holds That Those in Control Are Going to Wreck the Association.

Mayor Ames is thoroughly aroused over the affairs of the Police Relief Association and is preparing for immediate action to block the plans of the element in control.

He believes that the members of the association are planning to withdraw in large numbers and take with them \$200 each, and all the fees paid in, as allowed under the rule adopted at a recent meeting.

Its purpose, he insists, was to furnish relief for the families of deceased policemen and not to provide healthy members capable of supporting their families in comfort, and if there is any law to prevent the consumption he fears, he will invoke it.

Yesterday he addressed a letter to City Attorney Healy requesting an opinion as to the legal aspects of the case. The dog license fund which the council can cut off—so the city attorney says—amounts to about \$6,000 a year, of which \$3,000 has been turned over to the relief fund since the passage of the legislative act authorizing it, in 1891.

Under the recent amendments to the by-laws of the association a member of five years' standing can withdraw at any time and receive all fees paid in and \$200 in addition. Now it is the mayor's contention that this is a disgracefully unjust-like arrangement, certain to wreck the association.

It appears, however, that the most he can do is to prevent by threat of discharge, the withdrawal of those members of the association now on the police force. It is said that his first move will be to inform those members that their withdrawals from the association will be followed by their dismissal from the force.

It is probable also that he will move through a willing member to prevent the council from turning and prevent the dog license money into the treasury of the association until matters have been straightened out to his satisfaction.

About twenty members have already applied for withdrawal and a dozen or fifteen applications have been granted. President Gethelof of the association is said to be among them.

FORESTERS' OFFICERS

The Minnesota High Court Concludes Its Annual Session.

The high court of the independent Order of Foresters elected officers at the afternoon session yesterday. The list is as follows: High chief ranger, E. N. Young, Minneapolis; junior past high chief ranger, O. O'Neill, St. Paul; high secretary, George P. Gross, Red Wing; high treasurer, A. E. Reuillard, Minneapolis; high treasurer, George Hirsch, Winona; high physician, J. F. McReid, Minneapolis; high surgeon, J. H. Hewson, St. Paul; and J. C. Sheehan, Minneapolis.

In the evening the high court was entertained by the courts and companion courts of Minneapolis.

SURVEYORS AND ENGINEERS

Fifth Annual State Convention Meeting in St. Paul.

The fifth annual convention of the Minnesota Surveyors and Engineers' Society was opened Wednesday at the Commercial Club in St. Paul with an address by George W. Cooley of Minneapolis, president.

Professor W. R. Hoag of the state university read a paper on "The Repair and Maintenance of Draining Ditches."

A paper was read by Stephen F. Mulien on "Sibley County Surveys," and by W. C. Frazer of Rochester on "The Results and Effects of Flood Rebounds."

The addresses were followed by a general discussion of good roads questions.

AFTER THE LEASE WAS SIGNED. Chicago Tribune. Mrs. Reelis Tate—"You'd better not have anything to do with that property. The next door to you can possibly be their. They are rather disagreeable in their ways."

HONORED THE DAY

Minneapolis Fittingly Observes Washington's Birthday.

PUBLIC OFFICES ARE CLOSED Clubs, Churches and Other Organizations Give Entertainments—Some Attractive Programs.

Minneapolis has duly celebrated Washington's birthday to-day in various ways. There has been a general closing of such public institutions as the schools, library, city and county offices, federal offices and postoffice.

The Methodist ministers of Minneapolis were dined by their St. Paul brethren. There have been numerous patriotic and colonial entertainments in society and club circles throughout the week, and dates for such gatherings are set for as late as Monday evening.

To-night the Y. M. C. A. will observe the day with a reception and entertainment. The Daughters of the American Revolution will conduct patriotic exercises at Drummond's hall; the Daughters of the Revolution will give a musicale at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hill; the Young Ladies' Missionary Society of the First Baptist church will give a colonial tea at the church. The Epworth League of the Foss M. E. church will give a midwinter picnic this evening.

One of the unique affairs of the evening will be the third annual banquet given by the men of the Fifth Congregational church. An appealing menu has been prepared, which will be the more attractive as the entire menu is to be prepared by the men. After dinner the toasts will be responded to by Rev. C. F. Swift, Will De Long, John Day Smith, Rev. L. H. Hallock and Rev. Alexander McGregor. Rev. J. E. Smith will be toastmaster.

Representatives of the "big nine" schools in western athletics are gathering in Chicago to-day in answer to a call by the executive committee. The executive committee appointed a subcommittee to take charge of the intercollegiate meet to be held in Chicago.

The call was the result of a kick by the nonconference colleges for representation on a managing committee. At present the rule is that the institution to which a challenged contestant belongs is to determine its eligibility. The nonconference institutions say that questions of eligibility should be determined by a committee consisting of conference and nonconference members or else that both conference and nonconference contestants should be passed upon by the conference committee and not by the committee of the school to which the challenged contestant belongs.

Messrs. Pettigill, of Michigan; Barton of Illinois and Jones of Minnesota make the subcommittee appointed to take charge of the meet. These three found it difficult to handle arrangements from a distance and appointed a committee of graduates residing in Chicago and representing the schools to be at the conference to manage the meet and put it through. This managing committee, it seems, has come to feel its own importance to too great a degree and is now proposing the organization of an association to include the conference colleges. This will also be one of the important matters to come up at the Chicago conference just assembling.

It is understood that the executive committee does not favor the idea of an association such as that proposed. It looks too much as though Chicago "U" and Northwestern, also a Chicago institution, were trying to clinch the annual intercollegiate meets for Chicago to the exclusion of other points and there is strong opposition to such an outcome.

Further it is felt that the present conference arrangement while defective in some respects, is very satisfactory and that when the defects are remedied so as properly to care for the nonconference schools there will be little fault to be found with the arrangement.

The outcome of the present conference, however, will be watched with keen interest. The executive committee is meeting to-day and the conference will be held tomorrow.

HONOR FOR 'PREXY'

May Be Member of World's Fair Commission.

APPOINTMENTS NOT MADE YET Congressman Tawney Is Much Interested in Getting President Northrop on the Commission.

Dr. Cyrus Northrop, president of the state university, is said to be a candidate for membership in the national commission which will govern the world's fair to be held in St. Louis to commemorate the centennial. Representative Tawney has filed the recommendation with the president. Senator Nelson was present and added his assurances that the appointment would be endorsed by the Minnesota legislature.

It was agreed that Mr. Tawney should name one of the commissioners, so that the recommendation, it is thought, amounts practically to an appointment. The Journal's Washington correspondent telegraphs as follows regarding the above report:

Rush for the Nine Places. Representative Tawney is to-day getting the signatures of the Minnesota senators and representatives to a petition to the president to appoint President Cyrus Northrop of the University of Minnesota as a member of the government commission authorized in the Louisiana purchase exposition bill. There are to be nine of these commissioners, who will be appointed within thirty days after the president signs the act. They will serve until December, 1900, and will be paid \$5,000 a year for their services. There are so desirable that many members of the house who failed of re-election are serving the interest of their fellow members. There are so many of these salutations that the president could fill all the places from the present house, but he has intimated that he will give some places to men of scientific and technical knowledge. All the members of the Minnesota delegation will probably endorse President Northrop and will see the president personally to urge his appointment.

President Northrop was to-day to say anything about the report to-day. He admitted, however, that a congressman had written to ask if he would accept such an appointment. He had replied that he would be willing if its duties were not interfere with those as president of the university. But as yet the president has received no information which leads him to think that he will be appointed.

THEY ARE MERGED

Two Big Minneapolis Insurance Companies Unite To-day.

HAVE 28,000 POLICY HOLDERS ALLEGED \$500 WAS OFFERED

The National Mutual Life and Northwestern Life Associations Form One Company.

The merging of the National Mutual Life Association and the Northwestern Life Association, both of Minneapolis, into one organization was consummated yesterday. The consolidated company will be known as the Northwestern National Life Insurance Company and will have headquarters in the Andrus building. The company will occupy the entire Nicollet avenue side of the sixth floor with two rooms on the fifth street side. The new offices will be opened about March 15.

The officers are: W. F. Bechtel, president; Dr. J. F. Force, first vice president; Wallace Campbell, second vice president; and superintendent of agents; H. Miller, third vice president; G. F. Getty, secretary and treasurer; Dr. C. W. Higgins, medical director. Z. H. Austin, late deputy state commissioner of insurance, will be the actuary.

The new company has a total membership of 23,993 with insurance in force amounting to \$22,925,532.

National Policy Holders Meet. At 9 o'clock yesterday the policyholders of the National Life Association met at the offices of the company in the New York Life building to vote on the contract which had been offered by the Northwestern Life association.

There was a good representation. There were present in person and by proxies 1,800 of the holders of policies, for this special purpose of voting on the proposed consolidation. There were also present a number of the officers of the association.

The total value of the revenue stamps used on the proxies was \$400. The charter of the Northwestern association will be surrendered according to law and dissolved in five days. Each of the members had a thirty-day notice.

This consolidation will in no way interfere with the insurance in force. Policies will continue as before, with no physical examination.

Said one of the new officers: "It makes us the largest premium insurance company in the world. A stipulated premium company differs from the old line in this: We get rates based on standing tables but also on the existing state of emergency. If the new stipulated premium law is enacted by the state legislature the company will be in a position to take several states already having laws in effect which the Minnesota law is patterned. The rest of the consolidation is an increased revenue producing power of the two institutions, and a minimum of loss to the existing policyholders."

There have been two executive heads, two agency forces, two state department expenses, two printing accounts, two general expense and two accounts. The new company is a very desirable result, and we are the largest life association in the west, situated where there are desirable investments drawing a large rate of interest. The new law is an increase of business in the two institutions is such that in the consolidation in all probability the present office forces will be needed.

YIELDS ITS WORK

Board of Trade Turns It Over to Commercial Club

AND SUSPENDS FOR ONE YEAR The Club Will Take Active Charge of the Furthering of the City's Interests.

The Board of Trade has suspended operations for one year, if not permanently. This course is the result of a conference between the members of the board and the Commercial Club, the decision being embodied in a report signed by the Board of Trade committee, Northwestern, M. E. Koon, E. J. Phelps, J. S. McLain, S. A. Harris, John C. Neuse, Seeley and Charles S. Cairns. This committee will continue in charge of the property of the board, and will meet again on the second Wednesday in January, 1902. The report it submitted is as follows:

The committee appointed to confer with the Commercial Club and to advise the expediency and advisability of the temporary suspension of business by the Board of Trade, and joining with or encouraging the Commercial Club in its efforts for the benefit of the city of Minneapolis, begs leave to report that in its opinion such change is desirable and should be consummated at once.

The vital necessity of concentrating as nearly as possible in one organization all the intelligent and public-spirited men who feel the necessity of, and who are willing to join together for, and contribute to the progress, development and growth of our city, is clearly apparent to every one who has given the subject serious consideration; and we believe that under the existing circumstances the Commercial Club is the best, most practical and only organized instrument now in this city for the accomplishment of that purpose.

It has an active, enthusiastic membership of 200. It is officiated by a number of our most energetic, enterprising, public-spirited, reliable and successful young business men, who are willing to give the time and thought necessary, and their earnest best efforts to the proposed work. It is permanently and centrally located, in spacious and comfortable rooms, elegantly furnished and equipped, at a cost of over \$10,000. It is entirely out of debt and has a balance of over \$2,000 in the treasury.

The mistakes of the past have been corrected, and we believe, will not be repeated. The club is now prepared to receive the public should acquaint itself with the present organization and its business methods, give it its confidence, its moral and financial support, and the wish of those who really desire to see again in this city a strong, healthy, public-spirited body, working harmoniously and energetically for the well-being and advancement of our city, in every sphere of activity and usefulness, will be gratified, and much real good, we are satisfied, will be accomplished.

We, therefore, recommend that the Board of Trade suspend operations for at least one year, and that all possible encouragement and support be given to the Commercial Club in its efforts to care for and promote the material interests and welfare of our city.

DENTISTS AT CLINICS

About 200 delegates from the northwestern states are present at the annual mid-winter clinic of the G. V. Black Club in St. Paul, which is being held at the Ryan hotel.

Yesterday's clinics were conducted by Dr. F. T. Breene, Iowa City, Iowa; Dr. W. E. Griswold, Denver, Col.; Dr. A. C. Searle, Owatonna, Dr. G. W. Eshelman, Cherokee, Iowa; Dr. E. C. French, Eau Claire, Wis.; Dr. E. S. Gardner, La Crosse, Wis.; Dr. L. S. Irgens, Valley City, N. D.; Dr. J. M. Walls, St. Paul; Dr. B. H. Condit, Wausau, Wis.; Dr. T. B. Mercer, Minneapolis; Dr. W. H. Meyer, Little Falls; Dr. W. H. Cudworth, Milwaukee, Wis.; Dr. A. G. Fee, Superior, Wis.; Dr. R. K. Wedelstaedt, St. Paul; Dr. C. V. Black, Chicago, and Dr. W. H. Dwight, LeMars, Iowa.

Papers were read by Dr. E. K. Wedelstaedt, St. Paul; Dr. A. C. Searle, Owatonna; Dr. W. M. Murray, Minneapolis; and Dr. L. K. Fullerton, Denver.

At the evening session Dr. G. V. Black of Chicago, who is at the head of the dental profession here, and for whom the club is named, delivered an address. He was presented with a hand engraved certificate of honorary membership.

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A BUTTER BRIBERY

Buttermakers' Convention Excited Over Charges of Bribery.

Prominent St. Paul Dairymen Accused of Trying to Influence Butter Awards Improperly.

The executive committee of the National Creamery Butter-makers' Association was in executive session most of the day yesterday considering an alleged attempt to bribe one of the judges of the butter exhibit.

While the members and officials keep silent, the story has been pretty well circulated among the more prominent dairymen. From an authentic source it is learned that the charges were filed by W. D. Collier of Chicago, one of the butter judges, and that the person named in the accusation is a prominent St. Paul dairymen.

The offer, which was \$500 for influencing the judges, was made in writing to a third party who immediately turned the documents over to the butter judges. The executive committee, after discussing the matter, began taking evidence yesterday. Among the witnesses was the wife of the man against whom the charges are filed. One of the officers of the association said:

"This thing will be a lesson to those people who are so fond of talking at one convention and another, and who are so ready to make big promises, but who are so slow to keep them."

At the afternoon session Professor E. H. Farrington of Madison, Wis., read a paper on "Moisture in Butter."

"The Apprentice in Creamery Work" was the theme of Aage Vind of Pittsburg, Kan.

"Being Before and at Churning" was discussed by C. L. Passmore of Iowa, Wis. "Little Creamery Leaks," by C. P. Sher-

wood of Desmet, S. D., was followed by much discussion.

Last night an address was delivered by J. J. Hill, C. L. Cole, Jr., of St. Paul, gave several humorous recitations.

The reports of the various committees were received and the judges of the butter exhibit announced their decisions.

Kansas City Confident. Kansas City claims to have the next convention clinched. Milwaukee's claims are just as strong. President Haskell will not announce the members of the new executive committee for some weeks.

It is reported on good authority that one will be a Minnesotan, one from Iowa and one from the southern section of the "dairy belt," either Illinois, Kansas or Nebraska. It is claimed that J. E. Nissley of Kansas, who gracefully withdrew his candidacy for president in favor of Mr. Haskell, may be named a member of the new committee which will meet in July to select the place for the next convention. The Milwaukee delegation was augmented by new arrivals this morning and the beer town is being bombed here among the delegates.

Mayor Rose wired to William Stet of the Milwaukee delegation a general "jolly" for the convention and insisting that Milwaukee must have the buttermakers' next year.

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Saturday Ladies' \$3.00 fine Vici Kid Lace, with light flexible soles for dress wear, Saturday \$1.98

Ladies' New \$3.00 "Princess" Boots, fancy dull Kid or Vesting tops, Sat. \$1.98

Ladies' New \$3.50 Welt sole Lace Boots fancy perfect d vamps, Saturday \$2.49

Ladies' \$4.00 finest hand turn Lace Boots Dull French Kid tops new toes, new tips, fancy Dress Boots, Sat. \$2.98

Ladies' splendid velour calf lace Boots, heavy soles for splendid wear, regular \$2.50 boots \$1.45

Ladies' \$2.00 fine Lace Kid or Cloth Top, Saturday \$98c

Ladies' \$2.25 heavy sole kid lace, kid or patent tip, Saturday, \$1.12

Ladies' \$2.50 heavy sole kid lace street Boots, Saturday \$1.25

Ladies' 98c strap Sandals, Slippers, Saturday \$47c

Ladies' 3 point kid House Slippers, Saturday \$31c

Cut Prices Saturday.

Ladies' 50c Storm Rubbers, Saturday \$29c

Child's Storm Rubbers; sizes 10 to 12 \$19c

Misses' Storm Rubbers; sizes 11 to 2 \$29c

Boys' Heavy Dull Finish Rubbers \$48c

Men's 75c Goodyear Rubbers \$49c

Men's Sandal Rubbers, Boys' \$1.50 Victor Calf, lace, sizes 12 to 2 and 3 to 6, Saturday \$98c

Little Girls' \$1.50 Box Calf, lace, spring heel, sizes 9 to 13 1/2 \$98c

Little Girls' \$1.25 Calf, "Hustler" sizes to 13 1/2 \$69c

Misses' \$1.50 Fine Kid lace, spring heel, sizes 11 1/2 to 2 \$98c

Child's \$1.00 kid lace, sizes 8 1/2 to 11 \$59c

Child's 75c kid lace or button, sizes 9 to 11 \$49c

Misses' \$1.00 kid lace, dress or box calf School Shoes, sizes 11 1/2 to 2 \$1.25

Saturday \$1.25 Infant's 50c kid lace or button, sizes 6 to 8, Saturday \$98c

Men's Shoes

Cut Way Down Saturday. \$1.25 Men's \$2.00 Victor Calf, lace, Saturday.

\$1.49 Men's \$2.50 genuine Muleskin, lace, double sole, Saturday.

\$1.98 Men's \$3.00 "Gold Seal" kid lace, splendid up-to-date shoe, Saturday.

\$1.98 Men's \$3.00 Goodyear well sole, lace, calf shoe, Saturday.

\$1.98 Men's \$3.50 Leather Lace, Saturday.

\$2.40 Men's \$3.50 Cordovan full calf lined lace.

\$1.85 Men's \$2.50 fine Vici Kid Lace, kid or cloth top.

97c Men's \$1.50 Calf Lace, Saturday.

LION'S SHOE STORE. 121 WASH. AVE. SO. Retailing MEATS at Wholesale Prices. AT THE PROVISION CO. WE are overloaded with the BEST and must sell it. GOOD economical cuts of BEEF and MUTTON at 5c lb. 10,000 POUNDS of 8 and 10-cent MEAT at 6c lb. Choice Muttons at 7c lb. Lambs at 8c lb. Rounds at 7c lb. Sirloins at 10c lb. Porterhouse at 12 1/2c lb. Rib Roasts at 10c lb. Boneless Roasts at 10c lb. Backs at 6c lb. 100 lb Good Beef at \$3.00. Sugar Cured Hams selling at 10c lb. (single ham). This is carload price. ENDLESS TONS of everything in the MEAT and POULTRY LINE. Quality never was Better and Prices never Lower for the quality. THIS IS RETAILING MEATS at WHOLESALE PRICES. THE LEADING MEAT HOUSE 9 and 11 SOUTH 3rd STREET. TURKEYS, 10c lb. Beefsteaks, Pork Sausage and Pork Cuts at 7c lb.

Butter 18c. 500 jars FINE DAIRY BUTTER just received. It's worth 20c per lb., but we will sell it tomorrow at only 18c per lb. Good Dairy Butter—In 5-lb. jars, per lb. 13c 15c 17c. Fine extra Creamery—In 3 and 5-lb jars, per lb. at 22c. Fine Wisconsin Full Cream Cheese, per lb. 11c. Genuine Ohio Swiss Cheese, per lb. 17c. Strictly Fresh Eggs, per doz 17c. ICE CREAM. Special for Sunday—Vanilla, Strawberry, Orange Ice (in brick). Regular price, per quart, 40c—for Sunday, One Two Three quart, 30c quarts, 50c. WISCONSIN DAIRY 308 HENNING AVENUE. Telephone 914 (both lines). to the commercial wealth and the health of the entire country. TO SHORTEN SESSION Present Legislative Session May Be Cut to 70 Days. EFFORT TO BE MADE NEXT WEEK The Plan is to Have an Extra Session on the Tax Commissioner's Report. An effort will be made next week to shorten the term of the present legislative session, fixing the time for adjournment at the end of seventy legislative days. This will leave twenty days for an extra session. The tax commission bill has now passed both houses and awaits the signature of the governor. The governor has been advocating the tax commission and a revision and codification of the tax laws, and it is expected that he will sign the bill at once and appoint the three members of the commission within a few days. The effort will then be made to cut twenty days off the session in order to hold a special session to act on the report of the commission.

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