

VICTIMS AT NOME

United States Commissioner Is Believed to Have Perished.

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY STORMS

Recorder Ben Muller Among the Dead—Brightful Suffering of a Priest.

Special to The Journal.

Tacoma, Wash., May 6.—Nome papers as late as Feb. 20 add one name, that of Ben Muller, a well-known Socialist man, who was the recorder in the Agiak district, to the list of those known to have perished in the recent Nome blizzards.

Charles E. Gay, brother of United States District Attorney Gay of Seattle, and United States Commissioner for the arctic district, was found badly frozen, according to last reports, was likely to die before medical aid could reach him.

The report of Muller's death came to Nome, Feb. 18. With a man named Thomas, Muller left the Agiak village for the headwaters of the river of the same name, on Jan. 20. A medicine man of the village was their guide. About ten days later news was brought into Teller by a native that Muller's frozen body had been found on the river. Muller's sister, Miss Lillian Muller, is now in New York city studying music and composition.

The report of the freezing of Judge Gay was brought to Teller by a reindeer driver. He stated that a blizzard had blown from the north, and that he had seen the judge's body in the snow, with both feet badly frozen, and that he might die before medical aid could reach him. The man advised against sending out any relief party at the time on account of the weather.

Mr. Muller was last identified with Captain Tuttle of the Bear and Sol G. Simpson and others of Seattle in the "Lost Mine" of that district. He is a pioneer in that section, and was appointed United States commissioner by Judge Noyes last summer. It is thought he was absent from his quarters at the time on business connected with the company. He had intended to come out last winter to visit his relatives, and the failure on his part to hear from him in the last mails had aroused fears for his safety.

The storm seems to have raged from the middle of January to the middle of February. Many were frozen so badly that they will lose fingers or toes, but the list of deaths will not be large.

On Feb. 10, in the Solomon river country, the snow was swept down on a level and drifted badly. Wood was scarce at that time, and many cases of suffering were reported. Harry O'Neill and Adam Sæviander of Teller City were caught in a blizzard during the early part of February while returning from Mary's Igloo with a team of horses belonging to Charles Lane. Both had to suffer amputations of parts of their feet.

The Rev. Father Treca of Nome was seriously frozen while on his way from Unalakleet to Shatoluk. He had a native boy as a guide. The boy became exhausted, and the priest was left with a blanket and put him on a sled. By the time he reached his destination the good man was suffering severely. His face was a horrible sight, having been frozen solid by the biting wind. Only slight hopes were entertained for his recovery.

Curly Judd, a Nome character, suffered two frozen feet, which it was thought would have to be amputated.

DUCAL TOURISTS

Duke and Duchess of York Now in Australia.

Melbourne, May 6.—The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York landed from the steamer Ophir at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Melbourne, May 6.—The duke and duchess were received at the pierhead by Lord Hopetoun, governor general, and the state and federal ministers. After the ministers had been presented, the party passed down a quarter of a mile of carpeted pier and entered carriages surrounded by a guard of honor composed of Victorian troops just returned from South Africa, and proceeded a distance of seven miles through brilliantly decorated streets bordered with almost continuous lines of stands filled to their utmost capacity. The entire route was lined with demonstrative crowds, and the decorations, arches, Venetian masts and columns along the line of march were very effective.

Opposite the town hall the procession passed beneath a canopy which was supported by the royal coats and sheltering a golden statue of Queen Victoria. Twelve thousand troops were in line. There are 80,000 visitors in Melbourne. The drive terminated at Government House.

FIRE LOSS OF \$15,000

Large General Store and Other Buildings Burned at Mora.

Mora, Minn., May 6.—The most destructive fire in the history of the village took place yesterday morning, the loss amounting to about \$15,000. The fire started about 3 o'clock in the confectionery store of H. Selhauser, reducing it to ashes. The stock being saved. The adjoining building on the west, used for a billiard hall, owned by W. A. Gillis, also met the same fate. Flames soon attacked D. R. Eaton's large general store on the east and it too was completely destroyed. Much of the stock was saved, however, although more or less damaged. The confectionery store of A. J. Conger to the east of Eaton's store caught fire and was destroyed, most of the stock being saved.

The large store of the Mora Mercantile company caught fire several times and was saved with difficulty. The loss on the Eaton store is estimated at \$10,000, with \$7,000 insurance. The Selhauser loss figures up to about \$3,500, with \$2,500 insurance. Mr. Gillis loses about \$300, with no insurance. A. J. Conger carried \$900 on his confectionery store and stock, his loss being estimated at \$1,200. The Danforth store sustained some damage, which is covered by insurance. Conger and Selhauser will rebuild at once, but Mr. Eaton is undecided.

MINN. PASTORS ASSIGNED

THE EVANGELICAL CONFERENCE

Debts Paid and a Balance Left—State Meeting Near Lambertton.

Lamberton, Minn., May 6.—This year's session of the Minnesota conference of the Evangelical association convened at the church here, near, Bishop Thomas Bowen of Chicago was chairman and Rev. G. Duesendorf of Kasson was appointed secretary. Rev. F. R. Plantkoff and Rev. J. Gogoll were elected trustees for three years. Deacons orders were voted to Rev. C. G. Rowlett and the order of the elder to Rev. F. P. Werner. License to preach was voted to F. W. Schwenk, J. Moede and George Ingalls.

St. Paul District—Rev. F. R. Plantkoff, presiding elder, residing: St. Paul, Pine Street, J. M. Baidinger; St. Paul, Winifred Street, Herman Plantkoff; East Prairie, Paul Lang; Le Sueur Center, F. P. Werner; Farmington, G. Brittain; Kasson, M. Gaggetetter; Rochester, H. Hensel; Racine, F. H. Drager; Preston, A. Geyman; Cherry Grove, M. Schoelbuech; Faribault, A. Zabel; St. Charles, C. H. Schaeffer; Waseca, H. Isker and J. Altvater; Hammon, G. Sahr; Winona, West King Street, J. Manthey; Winona, East Fourth Street, J. Moede; Mound Prairie, C. C. Engbert; Wash City, S. R. Wigle; Duluth, L. S. Stapf.

Minneapolis District—H. Bunse, presiding elder; Minneapolis, Sixth Avenue, S. B. Goetz; Minneapolis, Highland Park, F. W. Teich; Olivia, R. M. Muller; Maple Grove, F. A. Huchinson; Wadena, R. W. Crow; River, J. Graben; Paynesville, G. Duesendorf; Zion, L. Passer; St. Cloud, A. H. Utzinger; Rice, A. J. Iwan; Brainerd, B. Simon; Wadena, J. L. Muehlhausen; Deer Creek, E. Helmer; Elizabeth, D. Greenig; Alexandria, H. A. Seder; Ojess, G. W. Hiescher; Appleton and Clear City, R. C. Mittelstadt; Bellingham, E. H. Hollenbach.

Manly District—Spaeth, presiding elder; Marquette, F. G. Sahr; Blue Earth City, J. Gogoll; Wells, J. G. Simon and G. Krienke; Le Sueur, W. A. Juedes; Courtland, C. W. Wolthausen; Sleepy Eye, C. W. Stryer; Renville, A. Deek; Buffalo Lake, F. Moede; Lambertton, C. F. Kachel; Fairmount, Otto Schultz; Sherburne, Carl Mackel; Worthington, F. C. Schmidt; Luverne, F. W. Siebel; Pipestone, G. F. Marshaw; Marshall, C. Teich; Wabasso, C. G. Rosti; Hendricks, William Walter.

If you had taken two of Carter's Little Liver Pills before getting your second crop, you would have had that coated tongue or bad taste in the mouth this morning. Keep a vial in your pocket for occasional use.

DUKE OF PARMA CIGAR

Smoke one and you will smoke another.

The South Shore Changes Time.

Commencing Sunday, May 5, the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic eastbound train No. 8, for Montreal, Boston, New York and east, will leave Duluth at 7 o'clock p. m. daily. Through train from the east will arrive Duluth at 8:30 a. m. daily. Local train No. 6 for Marquette and the Copper country will leave Duluth at 8:15 a. m. daily except Sunday. Local train from Marquette and the Copper country will arrive Duluth at 7:30 p. m. daily except Sunday. Dining car service is in carte on all trains.

Official Taster Has a Busy Day

Special to The Journal.

Omaha, Neb., May 6.—A. Wehrner, recognized as the official taster of the department of the Missouri, will be obliged to partake to-day of more than 2,000 different articles of food. The taster is ordinarily chief clerk in the commissary department, but his value to the service lies chiefly in the sensitiveness of his palate. He has cultivated the faculty for many years and was awarded a gold medal by the Trans-Mississippi exposition for proficiency.

Twenty-three bids have been opened by Colonel D. B. Wilson, of the commissary department, for more than a hundred articles, ranging from 40,000 pounds of bacon to 720 dozen hardwood chop pins. The proposals are mainly for foodstuffs, however, and twenty-three samples of each have been submitted for the scrutiny of Chief Clerk Wehrner.

The official taster will begin on mess pork and wind up on vanilla extract. He will test the dietetic value of New Orleans molasses, vinegar, table salt and condensed milk, alternating with navy beans, pepper sauce and gelatin. Only products which show excellence as to quality and freshness will be placed on the eligible list.

The supplies are intended for the two military posts in Nebraska, one in Kansas and one in Missouri. Bidders are present from various parts of the west, but as the findings must be audited by the Washington authorities the awards will not be made for several days.

Doweites Resorting to White Cap Methods

New York Sun Special Service

Binghamton, N. Y., May 6.—The followers of Alexander Dowie have resorted to white cap methods in Maryland, Otsego county, and loss of life may result at any moment from a clash between armed adherents of two sects. When several months ago the Doweites formed a sect under the direction of L. A. Dibble, they were permitted to use the Christian church as a meeting place. Later some of the Christian members objected, and the followers of Dowie were told they would have to go elsewhere.

Henry Rider and John A. Cook of Otsego were identified with the movement refusing them the church, and Mr. Cook received a whitecap letter a few days ago stating that unless the Doweites were allowed to use the church, the building would be burned and also the building of Mr. Rider. Members of the Christian denomination at once became greatly incensed, declaring a Doweite should never set foot inside the church. They organized a committee to guard the premises with guns and threatened summary vengeance on any of the new sect found prowling about. The Doweites also armed for what they termed self-protection, and a clash between the warring factions, terminating in bloodshed if not loss of life, is predicted.

Lived With Husband But 3 Hours

New York Sun Special Service

New York, May 6.—Inez Kobetz Carlbone, a pretty girl of Paterson, N. J., is the defendant in a suit for absolute divorce begun by her husband, Omar Carlbone, with whom she lived only three hours. The guests had not finished the wedding feast when the bride flitted away, leaving a note saying that she had gone never to return.

"I married you," she wrote, "not because I loved you, but because I wanted to be revenged on your former sweetheart, who insulted me, who said I would never get married and who taunted me by saying no man would ever marry me. You were going to marry her at the time, and you can marry her now if you like, but I wanted to let her know that I could take any fellow from her if I wanted to. Go and marry Julia Mossi now, for she is the girl who insulted me at a dance when you were her escort and who said that no man would marry me."

Dog's Devotion Proves His Death

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Dodge, Iowa, May 6.—A case of a dog committing suicide occurred in Douglas township, near Fond du Lac, not long ago. The dog was the property of Chris Drouth and was an English pointer of a very affectionate disposition. A few days ago the dog's master went away and left him in a yard surrounded by a high fence. The animal desired to follow his master and made several attempts to leap the fence, but without success. He persisted in his hopeless attempts until he finally fell dead of exhaustion and his lifeless body was found by his master on his return, some hours later.

Missed a Train, but Saved His Life

Special to The Journal.

Iowa Falls, Iowa, May 6.—J. P. Baum of Fort Dodge is thankful that a train pulled out of a station and left him, as this incident saved his life. He was a passenger on the freight train that was wrecked here Friday evening, and when the train stopped at Alden he alighted from the caboose while the men did some switching. It pulled out, however, leaving Mr. Baum at the station. Finding he could reach this city by the C. I. & D. he came down on the 3:40 passenger and a few moments later viewed the wreck of the caboose that had been smashed by a rear-end collision.

Says the Tongue Is Not Necessary for Speech

New York, May 6.—Lecturer William H. Crampton has demonstrated the falsity of the belief that the tongue is necessary for speech. Mr. Crampton's tongue was removed in the Seney hospital, Brooklyn, on April 12 last, but yesterday at his home he talked about the operation and other happenings in his eventful life. His articulation was not wholly perfect, but he spoke clearly and without much difficulty. Now and then he would slur a syllable in connecting words, but his enunciation for the most part was good. He has a deep, sonorous voice, and this has practically been unaffected by the operation he passed through.

Discoverer of Cancer Germ Has a Cancer

San Francisco, May 6.—Dr. Joseph Eisen, the California scientist whose discovery of the cancer germ was an event in medical history last year, has been attacked by cancer. He has submitted to an operation and is now rapidly recovering, although nothing can as yet be determined about the final result. Eisen believes that he became inoculated with the cancer microbe while studying the germs through the microscope.

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CARD FROM CONGER

He Reiterates His Position as to the Iowa Governorship.

Des Moines, Iowa, May 6.—Minister Conger authorized the publication of the following in the Register:

"In reply to hundreds of letters from all over Iowa, which I cannot answer personally, urging me to accept the nomination for governor by the republican party, I ask the Register to say that I respect the statement of the republican party, which is a candidate, but will accept the nomination if it is intended for me. Very respectfully submitted, —E. H. Conger."

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