

CITY NEWS.

Plays First Dividend—The Minneapolis Steel and Machinery company paid its first dividend to stockholders...

At Andrew Church—Rev. Charles F. Hibbard of Buffalo, N. Y., a classmate and very warm friend of Rev. Martin D. Harlin...

Where is Andrew Jacobson, C. E.—C. M. Stocking, president of the Union City Mission, would like to find Andrew Jacobson...

Senator Clapp Will Speak—The afternoon meeting to-morrow at the Y. M. C. A. will be one of the most interesting of the coming year...

DIED IN TEXAS
Henry T. Winter, Formerly Owner of the Vulcan Iron Works Here.

The death of Henry T. Winter, a former Minneapolisian, late of Houston, Texas, was announced to Mrs. C. Berger of 1100 Irving avenue, this city, yesterday...

MATILDA C. NEWMAN died Dec. 30, Funeral from home, 1000 Bloomington avenue, at 1:30 p. m., Sunday. There will be services at the Augustana church at 2:30 p. m. The interment will be at Stockholm, Wis., Monday.

FRANK L. ROUSE—Funeral services for Frank L. Rouse, the male clerk who was killed in a wreck on the Northern Pacific near Hinckley last Sunday, will be held from the Fourth Baptist church, Eighteenth and DuSable streets, N. Sunday at 2:30 p. m. A large number of Sunday school children will attend the services...

MRS. ELIZABETH M. KNOX died Jan. 1, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hedley W. Dugan, funeral services Monday at 1:30 p. m. at her late residence, 315 E. Seventeenth street, interment at Oakland cemetery, St. Paul.

JAMES E. NICHOLSON died Dec. 31, at the residence of his son, Dr. Nicholson, 711 First avenue S., funeral from the above residence at 2 p. m. to-morrow. The remains will be sent to Maysville, Ky.

MRS. MARY T. PERRY died this morning at her residence at the Ashmore flats, Fourth street and Sixth avenue S.E., funeral Monday at 2:30 p. m. from the residence.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT
Two Burglars Arrested on Chicago Avenue—One Escapes.

Because James Harris and his pal attempted to break into Dr. J. C. Litzberg's residence, 2955 Chicago avenue, thru the cellar door, when the other door was locked, they were detected and caught by Mounted Officer W. H. Jones.

Jones surprised the two men just as they were attempting to lift the cellar door. He was taken to the station, the elder of the two broke away and ran. Jones threatened to shoot, but the man called back that he would rather be shot than locked up.

Harris was arraigned in police court this morning and was sentenced to six days in the workhouse. The detectives say he had a character and has been in similar trouble before.

Officer Jones is given credit for making the first arrest on Chicago. The men were caught shortly after 12 o'clock Friday morning.

DAVIS WANTED ELSEWHERE
Man Charged with Larceny, Believed to Have Broken Jail.

From advices received by the police from Brainerd, Minn., it appears that Paul Davis, the man who was held to the grand jury this morning on a charge of grand larceny, is badly wanted at Blackduck, Minn., where he, in company with one Frank Welch, broke jail last February. The officials at Blackduck say they have a case of robbery against Davis and his "pal" and are particularly desirous to have Davis returned there for trial.

Davis and Welch were arrested last February by Chief of Police B. F. Boyd of Blackduck, charged with larceny and robbing two lumberjacks. They were taken to the city lock-up and that night induced the jailer to enter the cellroom and play cards with them. A few games were played when suddenly the two disarmed the jailer, locked him in the cell and made their escape.

Davis will not be returned to Blackduck, as the local police have a good case against him.

"TOUCHED" THE METER
Former Janitor Sent Up for Taking the Quarters.

A. B. Foote, formerly janitor of the Barnidge residence, was sentenced to forty days in the workhouse this morning for robbing the gas meter at that place.

Foote is said to have quit work at the place the day before and went back early that morning for some of his belongings. He is suspected by the people in the house and the police were notified.

Detectives arrested Foote later in the day and when he was searched at the station his pockets were well filled with quarters.

FOUR ARE BANKRUPT
Two Cloak Dealers, a Diamond Setter and an Insurance Man File Petitions.

Petitions in bankruptcy have been filed in the United States district court by H. H. Given and David Felman, co-partners of H. H. Given & Co., dealers in cloaks; Adolph Lehn, diamond setter, and William N. North, insurance agent, all of Minneapolis. The liabilities and assets, respectively of H. H. Given & Co. are reported as \$3,956.86 and \$2,621; of H. H. Given, \$1,068 and \$1,461; of David Felman, \$3,956 and \$1,461; of Adolph Lehn, \$1,468 and \$360; and of William N. North, \$4,169 and \$320.

JACOBSON IN MARTIN'S CHAIR

The Vacant Place on Board of Control Is Offered to the Sage of Lac qui Parle.

After Confering with the Other Members He Decides to Accept.

J. F. Jacobson of Madison is the new member of the state board of control. The resignation of James A. Martin, chairman of the board, was received by Governor Van Sant this morning. The late statesman from Lac qui Parle appeared on the scene shortly before noon, and was ushered into the governor's presence.

Governor Van Sant offered the place to Mr. Jacobson. He did not accept immediately, but asked a little time. He went to the offices of the board of control with S. W. Leavitt. He appeared to regard the entire plan of the exhibition with disfavor and wondered at the sanction apparently given to it by Minneapolis people. He expressed his surprise that any young woman of fine feelings should care to take part in an exhibition of her physical charms. He said this could be conducted with propriety. That, however, he pronounced a question of taste in which the university authorities could not interfere. Should the verified reports of the exhibition prove a reflection upon the character of the university authorities to take action.

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MISS BAIER IS CRITICISED

"U" CIRCLES PERTURBED OVER "SHAPE SHOW."

President Northrop Said Details of Arrangement at Show Should Be Received Before Opinions Were Formed—Dispatches Indicate That Miss Baier Is One of the Favorites at the Show.

The fact that a woman student of the university is participating in the "shape show" in New York is causing much mental distress in university circles. Miss Baier's action in entering the competition is severely criticised.

President Northrop was not aware until this morning that the Minneapolis young woman is a university student and desired to await definite knowledge of the details of the exhibition before forming an opinion in regard to Miss Baier's part in the affair. He appeared to regard the entire plan of the exhibition with disfavor and wondered at the sanction apparently given to it by Minneapolis people. He expressed his surprise that any young woman of fine feelings should care to take part in an exhibition of her physical charms. He said this could be conducted with propriety. That, however, he pronounced a question of taste in which the university authorities could not interfere. Should the verified reports of the exhibition prove a reflection upon the character of the university authorities to take action.

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THEATER VICTIMS DIED PAINLESSLY

DEATH WAS INSTANTANEOUS—BODIES NOT LIVING, TRAMPLED.

Dr. J. G. Cross of Minneapolis Assisted in Caring for Injured at Marshall Field Hospital—Says Evidence of Suffocation Were Marked—Other Reasons for Sudden Death Theory.

Victims of the Iroquois theater horror died painlessly. The quick and hot fire in Chicago Wednesday and was called for service in the Marshall Field emergency hospital here. The intended scores of the injured, the sudden death was generally instantaneous and that the dead were trampled, not the living. The quick and hot fire in an inclosure like the theater probably at once exhausted the oxygen in the atmosphere, producing suffocation. The sudden hot flame also would naturally have the effect of closing the passages of the throat, producing death from suffocation.

This view is supported by physicians in the city who have conducted autopsies on bodies which have passed through similar mainstrooms of flame. It is borne out also by modern tests, the underneath and protected by the bodies of those taken by sudden death while rushing thru the aisles, persons were found to be uninjured and unharmed. This indicates that many of the victims must have been dead before they were trampled.

Three circumstances were noted by Dr. Cross: the extreme possibility of the Marshall Field management; the sudden appearance of physicians and trained nurses; and the remarkable bravery and unselfishness of the sufferers.

To this hospital were brought only those able to walk, but who, nevertheless, were the great sufferers because they were rendered unconscious. The injuries were mainly burns to the exposed parts and results of the inhalation of hot air. The chief work of the physicians was in relieving the burning and softening the pain with hypodermics. The sufferers had little to say other than frequently to request the doctors and to say that they were injured worse than themselves, and to enquire the fate of the poor people in the theater. One woman had lost her mother, whom she was unable to pull from the pile of dead; another had lost two children; a third was severely burned, losing hair and suffering from a parched throat, but with it all there is a feeling of great thankfulness for other sufferers.

No "Heaps of Bodies" Outside. Altho appalled by the sight he witnessed, Dr. Cross noted the discipline of the police and firemen. The dead were treated with great gentleness, being carefully borne out of the theater by two bearers each and placed in long rows on the sidewalks, not heaped up.

Chicago seems stunned. Business men are overwhelmed with a pall of sadness, and business is at a standstill. The bodies of Miss Ethel M. Peck and Willis W. Peck, who lost their young lives in the Iroquois theater fire, arrived this morning from Chicago accompanied by Mrs. Peck, Mrs. and Mrs. Giles Turner of Madison, Wis., and other relatives and friends of the family.

The bodies were prepared for burial at the Johnson-Landis undertaking rooms, and from there were taken to Lakewood, where the funeral party had gathered. The services were conducted in the chapel by the Rev. Dr. L. H. Hallock, the musical numbers being in charge of Scott Woodworth.

It appears that death in both cases was due to suffocation, the heads and upper portions of the bodies being scorched. The lower limbs, however, were hardly touched by the flames.

MRS. BALDWIN'S ESCAPE
By Good Fortune She Was Close to an Exit.

Mrs. F. H. Baldwin, wife of Dr. Baldwin of Minneapolis, as well as Dr. Adolph Moody, who was in the crowd, were in the theater when the disaster occurred. The Journal by Dr. Moody yesterday.

She says that the audience remained seated for several minutes after the curtain and scenery were seen to be burning and that no general break for the outside was made until the rush of fire from under the fire curtain. Luckily Mrs. Baldwin and her mother were seated close to a Randolph street exit which was opened just as they got to it, and they were thrown into the street by the force of the crowd behind, bruised but not badly hurt.

At first, she said, "nobody seemed to realize the awful danger." "No water was used to put out the flames on the stage. It was only flimsy, gauzy scenery at first that was being burned, but the crowd was tried to tear it down and stamp it out as it fell. I heard no screams, and the people for many moments were in a state of dazed bewilderment. I did not hear the cry of fire."

"But all at once there was a great ball of fire or sheet of flame—I don't know for certain, but I saw the whole theater or at least the balcony were forced to jump from the unfinished fire escapes."

ONCE LIVED HERE
Marjorie Edwards' Death Brings Sorrow to Many Minneapolis Friends.

Marjorie Edwards of Clinton, Iowa,

DREGER HEARS FROM FRISCO

POLICE SEND SILBERBERG'S RECORD AND PHOTOGRAPH.

It Appears That He Jumped His Bail There and Has Since Evaded Arrest on a Bench Warrant—He Posed There as a "Journalist."

Write to officials in the various cities in which I am said to have worked "skin games" you will find I have never had a criminal record.

Sheriff J. W. Dreger has received from George W. Witten, chief of the San Francisco police, the following letter in reference to the man now awaiting trial in the Hennepin county jail under the name of J. J. Carlisle:

Your letter of the 21st instant, relative to your man Sederberg, just received and contents noted. Enclosed please find photograph and description of the man, with a reference to, whose record with us is as follows: J. C. Davis, alias Henry Sederberg, alias Ernest Goldstein, alias Forsyth, alias Silvester, alias J. Coleman Drayton, held to answer for trial June 25, 1920, on a charge of felony, passing fictitious checks (three of them) and carrying on an extensive separate charge made up of many different crimes. Bailed fixed by the superior court, on which a bond was furnished by the defendant, who failed to respond when the cases were called, and the court ordered a bench warrant issued for his arrest, which warrant has never been served. You will see by the above that the name of the man in your record is August, 1920. Hoping this may prove satisfactory and that you may have better success with this fellow than I did, I am, yours respectfully, George W. Witten, Chief of Police.

The descriptive card attached to his photograph gives his age as 30 years in 1920, which would make him 33 years old now. His occupation is given as that of a "journalist" and he is described as having "no visible scars, but very small hands and feet." The picture is undeniably that of the man under arrest here as "J. J. Carlisle."

More Exploits Suspected. Chief of Police Conroy has received three letters coming from individuals in various parts of the country who think they have met Silberberg during his career. One of these is from Emma Harris of 17 Grand avenue, San Francisco, who thinks Silberberg is the man who married her in 1895. Another is from Texarkana, Texas, and is signed "Clegg" by a person who is positive that while operating as a palmist named Craig, Silberberg and a woman traveling with him were forced to leave Texarkana to avoid arrest for larceny. The third is from Joseph Libby of Zumbrota, Minn., who writes that he is sure he met Silberberg in Phoenix, Ariz., in 1922, when he was operating as "Craig." The writer intimates that the meeting cost him money. The prisoner is weaker to-day.

SMOKING IN BED
Luxurious Guest Starts Washington Avenue Hotel Fire.

A man smoking a cigar while he lay in bed at the Crawford hotel, 106 Washington avenue S., early this morning started a fire which caused a loss of \$2,000. The loss is: \$500 on contents of hotel, \$1,000 on building, \$400 water damage to the Winckler building, and \$100 on damage to the Gong restaurant. Altho the fire started early this morning while the guests were all asleep, none of them found difficulty in escaping. The fire department worked an hour in extinguishing the flames and easily kept them confined to the hotel building.

WILL TEST THE LAW
Status of Courthouse and City Hall Commission Is Called in Question.

The legislative committee of the Commercial club, Charles S. Cairns, chairman, had a meeting this afternoon to consider the manner of testing the legality of the law creating the city hall and courthouse commission. Among those present were Mayor J. C. Hayes, City Attorney McE. (Bowdoin), J. C. Pierson, (term unexpired), New York city. (New York university). Mr. Pierson is president of the national congress of life insurance actuaries.

Boston was selected as the convention city next year. The meeting in 1926 will probably be at Berkeley, Cal.; in 1927 at Lafayette, Ind.; and in 1928 at Ann Arbor.

Delta Kappa Kappa Banquet. The Psi chapter of the Delta Kappa Kappa fraternity will give a banquet to the delegates to the ninth annual convention at the Windsor hotel, in St. Paul to-night. Dr. Louis B. Wilson will be toastmaster.

IS A SNAKE PROPERTY?
Question that Did Not Come Up in Holliston Case.

Several attorneys and other interested persons missed hearing an important decision in police court this morning by the failure of the owners of a rattlesnake to prosecute Andrew Holliston, arrested for stealing a reptile from the Palace museum.

DOCTORS ALL RESIGN

Suggestion to Run New Building Without a Staff Arouses Much Discussion—Plan Held to Be Impracticable—Physicians of One Mind.

The medical staff of Asbury Methodist hospital may resign as a body in case the board of managers, at its last meeting, had decided to build a new building, when the new building is completed, a year or two hence, the institution will endeavor to do without a staff. It has been agreed by the physicians, that a recent conference, that, if they are not to be permanently retained, they cannot consistently tender to the hospital hereafter their influence, their services, and their professional services, and their pecuniary aid.

The suggestion that the hospital be operated without medical staff is said to have originated with Bishop Joyce, the local head of the Methodist church, under whose auspices Asbury is maintained. Whether his advice has been wrongly interpreted cannot be ascertained, the bishop being now in South Africa. But his friends believe that his proposal, at the most, was simply tentative, and subject to the approval of persons more experienced than himself in hospital management. Such persons agree that the innovation suggested is wholly impracticable.

The rumor project would specially affect the head of the staff, Dr. F. A. Dunsmoor, who has held this position at the hospital for ten years with notable success. He has not been discussed separately in reference to possible changes; but the staff support him heartily. They agree that he and they will go or stay together.

STATE CAPITOL. HEARING COMES TUESDAY
CANNON FALLS COMPLAINT TO BE PRESENTED TO INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION IN ST. PAUL.

L. A. Rosing of Cannon Falls, democratic candidate for governor in 1922, and president of the Minnesota Municipal and Commercial League, was at the state capitol to-day. He is preparing for the hearing in the Cannon Falls Farmers' Elevator company, but the state railroad commission brought the case to the attention of the interstate commission, and the hearing will be conducted for the complainant by W. J. Donahower, assistant attorney general. The complaint charges a violation of the long and short haul clause. The Milwaukee and Great Western charge a rate of 15 cents on grain shipped from Cannon Falls to the twin cities in 1922, which is cheaper to make the shipment by the more devious route. It takes so much longer, however, that the shipper does not get the same advantage in the market.

BRACKEN NAMED
Governor Reappoints Three Members of Board of Health.

Governor Anson has reappointed three members of the state board of health whose terms expire. They are Dr. H. M. Bracken of Minneapolis, secretary; Dr. Henry C. Rouse of St. Paul; and Dr. W. H. Rowe of St. James.

"KNOCKING" ROOSEVELT
Governor Van Sant Gets a Clipping Which He Puts in the Basket.

Governor Van Sant received an enclosure from Indianapolis to-day containing a clipping from the Minneapolis Journal, which is a sound anti-Roosevelt sentiment in the west. It was an editorial from the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune, a republican paper which is warring against Roosevelt. The editorial, under date of Dec. 30, depicts him as a weak candidate, who could easily be beaten by a more powerful opponent. This editorial are being sent out to prominent republicans all over the west.

BACKED BY FULLERTON
He Retains Counsel to Defend Washasha Warden.

S. F. Fullerton, executive agent of the state game and fish commission, took prompt action to-day to stand by Ira Weeks, of Washasha, the deputy warden arrested by Wisconsin authorities. He charged with kidnaping, but his offense consists of arresting two boys for net fishing on Lake Pepin. They were taken on the Minnesota side of the lake, by the Wisconsin people claim that the channel of the river runs near to the Minnesota shore, and that Wisconsin territory runs near the middle of that channel.

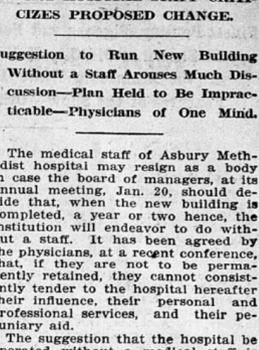
Mr. Fullerton retained J. F. McGovern of Washasha, to defend Weeks. He does not believe the kidnaping charge will hold water, even in the Wisconsin county. Since the supreme court of that state decided that Minnesota game laws do not apply to the lake, the wardens have been careful to stick to their own territory.

Other people are getting their wares filled by using Journal want ads. Why not you? Try it once and see for yourself. One cent a word, not less than 20 cents. Cheap enough.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
LOST—LADY'S GOLD NECK CHAIN, JAN. 1, 1924. Return to 2801 Lyndale at 2 for reward.

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