

CITY NEWS

THE WEATHER

The Predictions. Minnesota—Generally fair tonight and Tuesday; colder in southeast portions and warmer in west portions tonight; warmer Tuesday.

DAVIDSON TALKS ABOUT THE ORIENT

UNITED STATES CONSUL IS IN MINNEAPOLIS.

Minnesotan Expects to Spend Christmas at His Austin Home for First Time in Sixteen Years—Goodnow Not a Boycotter—Little Chance for Minneapolis Flour in Far East.

James W. Davidson, United States consul at Antung, Manchuria, is today a guest at the West Hotel.

Mr. Davidson is a Minnesotan man, and expects for the first time in sixteen years to spend this Christmas at his old home in Austin.

Goodnow at Shanghai. "John Goodnow is still residing at Shanghai and says he represents American interests there," said Mr. Davidson today.

"Now that the war is over, there is a chance for the development of the Minneapolis flour market in the orient," was asked.

"In regard to the flour market," was the response, "there does not appear much future for the Minneapolis product unless the present demand increases very largely."

"Lately large flour mills have been erected at Harbin, Manchuria, and Manchuria, in my estimation, is destined to become a serious competitor to the United States in supplying the Japanese and Chinese markets."

"Hoffman's Toggery Open Evenings." Cases, \$1 to \$5. Umbrellas, \$2 to \$20.

NECROLOGIC. J. P. SMITH died Dec. 17 at the residence of his home, 3121 Calhoun street.

MORRIS A. BRESKY, aged 53, died this morning at his home, 1909 Fifth street, of a stroke of apoplexy.

A. W. DAUGHERTY—Died yesterday at his home, 3121 Calhoun street.

ELIZA DUNN CLARKE, mother of Arthur M. Clarke, died yesterday at the residence of her sister, Mrs. T. P. Knappen, 1205 Seventh street SE.

ABEL W. DAUGHERTY died in Minneapolis yesterday.

SAM STERNBERG—Funeral from residence of brother, Charles Sternberg, 521 Ninth street S, Tuesday at 1 p.m.

MISS ALBERTHA HILL, aged 97, died last night at 4753 Upton avenue SE.

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DECLARE MATTER IS BEYOND THEM

ALDERMEN ARE FIRM ON CONTROVERSY WITH MAYOR.

Content that Incandescent Gas Lighting Contract Has Passed Out of Council's Hands and that Controversy Is Between Mayor and the Patterson Street Lighting Company.

What the aldermen will do with the communication from Mayor David P. Jones, announcing his purpose to withdraw his signature from all contracts awarded in the incandescent gas lighting contract, is the subject of a report.

Many of the aldermen take issue with the mayor on the proposition that a resolution be passed on the subject of the contract.

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NOTED HISTORIAN SPENDS DAY HERE

PROFESSOR JOHN BACH McMASTER.

Professor of History in University of Pennsylvania Speaks at State University Fraternity College Man of the West—He is Guest of Dr. Howard McI. Morton.

Professor John Bach McMaster, who occupies the chair of history in the University of Pennsylvania, and who is without doubt the dean of American historians, is in Minneapolis today.

Professor McMaster is west on a pleasure trip. He has just come from Colorado Springs and Denver.

This morning, following a breakfast at the Minneapolis club, Professor McMaster spoke to the students of the Minnesota university.

When seen by a reporter today Professor McMaster spoke highly of the Minnesota university and of western young men in colleges.

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AROUND THE TOWN

Steals a Clock.—A sneak thief entered the office of G. E. Clark, in the Metropolitan Life building, some time Saturday, and after ransacking the place took a clock from the wall and departed.

Owls Will Not Run.—On account of house moving at Twenty-second avenue NE and Second street tonight the 2 A. M. owl cars on the Second street NE line will not run.

Before Searchlight Club.—S. N. Nichols, deputy collector of United States Internal Revenue, will speak before the Searchlight club of the Y. M. C. A. this evening.

To Name a Realty Ticket.—The Minneapolis Real Estate board met at 4 p.m. today at the Commercial club preparatory to the annual election.

Kelley Back from Orient.—John J. Kelley, formerly member of Congress, has returned from the Philippines after a residence in the Orient of nearly two years.

After the Spitters.—Health department officers are to go after spitters again, and no warnings will be given to the offenders.

Rates for Students.—University students returning home for the Christmas holidays will be given a rate one far and a third by all the railroads in the state.

Twin City Bankers to Meet.—The Twin City Bankers' club will meet Tuesday night at the Minnesota club in St. Paul.

THEVES ARE BAGGED. Detectives Make Several Important Arrests—Two Are Convicted.

Detectives were unusually busy Saturday and Sunday rounding up petty thieves. Three were arraigned in police court today.

Joseph Carey is accused of stealing several pounds of brass from the Central Creamery company.

John Clay was given a sentence of \$10 or ten days for stealing a coat from L. Heffron.

Luis Ferguson, who was caught stealing rings from the jewelry counter in a department store, pleaded guilty to a charge of petty larceny.

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TODAY IN THE DISTRICT COURT.

Judge F. C. Simpson—McCart vs. McCart divorce case still on trial.

Judge F. C. Brooks—Minor court cases.

Judge John Day Smith—Jury, juvenile court and chamber matters.

Judge H. D. Dickinson—Work of securing jury begun in Brennan murder trial.

Judge F. V. Brown—Musgrave vs. Minneapolis Street Railway company still on trial.

Judge Andrew Holt—Second trial of O. J. Evans vs. R. F. Betcher at \$8,000 damage on breach of contract.

Hoffman's Toggery Open Evenings. Gloves, \$1 to \$5. Neckwear, 50c to \$5.

ANTE-NUPTIAL SPREE DELAYS HIS WEDDING

Z. S. Irving was late to his wedding in Eau Claire today just because the police interfered with a little spree he had planned while waiting for his train that was to carry him to his bride.

Irving lives in a small town in North Dakota, so the told Judge C. Smith in police court today, and is on his way to Eau Claire to be married.

Stepping into a saloon near the passenger station, he fell in with a merry party of handseakers and he was soon out of his place.

Aside from the gay songs and bright music of the jolly Y. M. fellows, who, as members of the Yale Glee, Mandolin and Banjo clubs, will represent "old Yale" at the Auditorium the evening of Dec. 26, the Yale spirit is present in another form.

There is a large number of the fellows of the clubs offered contributions out of their own pockets, but they have another way of assisting those not so well to do.

In spite of the immense expense incident to a 3,000 mile journey by special train and the twelve days spent on the road, the popularity of the clubs is so great that upon almost every trip they are able to report to the college authorities a margin of receipts over the expenses of the trip.

This money is invariably turned into the Yale fund for poor students and as such helps many a deserving student.

In reply to many inquiries already made, the entertainment committee of the Minneapolis alumni of Yale wish to state that there will be no reservations given or not sold before the opening of the regular seat sale at the Metropolitan Music company, Thursday morning.

SHOW THEIR ESTEEM

Employees of Minneapolis General Electric Co. Remember Retiring Manager.

Employees of the Minneapolis General Electric company presented the retiring manager, M. Robertson, with a solid silver pitcher and tray Saturday night, as a mark of esteem.

No special program was prepared for the occasion. The water service was sent on by messenger by the company as long as Mr. Robertson, who retires after a service of more than twenty years, and the gift had, therefore, a deep significance.

SEEKING RELATIVES

Hospital Authorities Think Man Who Died There Had Kin.

Olaf Laeth, 30 years old, died at the Norwegian Deaconess' hospital this morning of typhoid fever.

DEPRECATES GRAFT

Professor McMaster Urges Honesty as Best Policy for Students.

The university chapel Professor McMaster, who is visiting here on his return from the University of Wisconsin at Madison, both these institutions have standings in the east of which they may well be proud, and of course, we all esteem your university president, Dr. Cyrus Northrop.

Should City Attorney hold that the incandescent lighting contract was regularly awarded, most of the aldermen are in favor of taking no further action.

Professor McMaster leaves tomorrow for the east.

Mr. Leonard, the young man, is well equipped for the responsibilities connected with the management of the Minneapolis company.

He has been with Stone & Webster of Boston, the owner of the company, for eleven years and has made a remarkable record.

For the past three years he has been manager of the electric light and street railway companies of Houghton, Mich. He is well acquainted with the local business thru visits made here and is relied on by the Boston company to enlarge the business in this field.

The large additional amount of power that will be brought to the city upon the completion of the extensive plant at Taylors Falls will greatly increase the service of the company.

Mr. Leonard's general manager, Mr. Robert Stone, who comes from Atlanta, Ga., has been made local contract agent and will have charge of the marketing of the additional power.

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Editorial entitled "A Deserved Promotion," as follows:

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LEONARD ASSUMES REINS OF CONTROL

Young Manager, who Succeeds A. M. Robertson, Comes from Houghton, Highly Recommended—Has Had Charge of Electric Light and Railway Companies in Michigan City—Mr. Robertson Enters Private Business.

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SHIPPERS WARNED NOT TO SIGN PETITIONS

George S. Loftus, the St. Paul elevator man, who is taking a leading part in the move for railroad regulation, has issued a circular to the members of the National Hay association, as chairman of the transportation committee, warning them against signing petitions against legislative action.

The railroad interests have rallied all their resources, legitimate and otherwise, in support of a final assault upon congress to prevent any legislation in line with President Roosevelt's recommendation for government regulation of railroad rates.

One of the most insidious methods of the railroad companies which is being actively employed at the moment is an effort to secure signatures of shippers to a remonstrance against legislative action, on the ground that present laws will bring to the public the relief for which they clamor.

It is hardly necessary to refer to the "influences" that are being invoked to secure signatures to such a document. We know that in some instances they are of a character hard to withstand, and doubtless many names will be secured among the mass of those who are heartily in sympathy with President Roosevelt's policy.

We therefore call upon the members of the National Hay association, which is an organization that has gone on record in an indorsement of the president on this question, to rally en masse in his support and bring their influence to bear upon congress in this behalf.

See the member of congress from your district while at home during the holiday vacation, or if you cannot see him, write to him, that his constituents hope to see him maintain a stand in valorous defense of President Roosevelt in the great fight he is leading for railroad rate reform.

WARNS SANTA CLAUS

State Fire Marshal Advises Precautions Against Christmas Accidents.

State Fire Marshal Edward Peterson has issued a warning against the highly inflammable Christmas tree. He says that the usual tree with its candles, strings of popcorn, celluloid ornaments and cotton-battling snow, is nothing but an immense torch ready to burst into flame at the slightest provocation.

He especially condemns the candle-lighted tree at public gatherings, where a large number of women and children are crowded into a small place and a blaze means a panic, with possible loss of life.

Mr. Peterson also calls attention to the number of men and women killed or injured each year by the ignition of the cotton-battling or oakum wigs and whisks used in the Santa Claus makeup. The fiber, says Mr. Peterson, should be soaked in alum water to make it fireproof.

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ETHICAL STANDARDS HIGHER THAN BEFORE

"The Tracing of the Ethical Standard" was the subject of a thoro and scholarly paper read by Dr. John H. Miller of Simpson church before the weekly meeting of Methodist ministers held this morning in Hennepin Avenue M. E. church.

Dr. Miller, who must be remembered, said Dr. Miller: "It was not the frequency of work in society from the earliest periods down to modern times and arrived at this conclusion:

"If we note the general trend of the ages, we cannot but acknowledge that there has been a general improvement, and that the ethical standards are higher than ever before in the world's history."

Dr. Miller said that the frequency of wars and rumors of wars at the beginning of the twentieth century considered a denial of this statement.

"It must be remembered," said Dr. Miller, "that war does not necessarily mean deterioration. It sometimes is the index of a higher civilization demanding the rights of a common humanity. Our work with Spain meant a higher ethical standard for all time."

Mrs. Della Cole Giege, national organizer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society and head of the Bureau of Systems and Proportionate Giving, addressed the ministers in the interest of the missionary society.

There will be no meetings on the two coming days, and on Jan. 16 Professor Cooper will speak on "The Value of the Study of Literature to the Ministry."

PIONEER WOMAN DEAD

Mrs. Jane S. Donlin, Who Came in 1856, Passes Away.

Mrs. Jane S. Donlin, widow of Edward Donlin, died at the family residence, 1623 University avenue SE, Saturday at the age of 77 years.

Mrs. Donlin's maiden name was Jane Burnell, and she was born in London in 1822. She came to the United States when 5 years old, and her parents settled in New York.

In 1850 she married Edward Donlin and moved to Washington, D. C., and in 1856 she and her husband came to Minnesota and settled in Sibley county.

Nine years later they moved to Minneapolis. Mrs. Donlin is survived by six children: Mrs. John Hillen, Mrs. Jennie Pickel, Charles C. and J. M. Donlin of Minneapolis, E. C. Donlin of New York city and P. T. Donlin of Browning, Mont.

The funeral will take place from the residence Tuesday at 8:30 a.m., and service from St. Lawrence church at 9 a.m.