

**JOE MARKHAM TO BUILD HOTEL**

Deal for Purchase of Site on Third and Bemidji Closed Today.

PLANS BEING PREPARED FOR UP-TO-DATE HOUSE AT ST. PAUL.

Mr. Markham Expected to Arrive Tomorrow and Work Will Be Begun at Once.

Hon. J. M. Markham, one of Bemidji's most popular citizens and for several years successful in the hotel business here, this morning completed a business deal for the purchase of three lots on the corner of Third street and Bemidji avenue, is expected to arrive in the city today or tomorrow and will immediately commence work on the construction of an up-to-date hotel on the property, which will cost completed, exclusive of the furnishings, \$50,000.

Mr. Markham has been considering the matter for some time. He believes the city amply large to support two good hotels and enters on the project with a thorough knowledge of the local situation and its possibilities. The lots were purchased from the townsite company and the house is the one referred to in yesterday's Pioneer, but the details of the transfer had not been arranged at that time.

Mr. Markham telegraphed Bemidji friends this morning that he accepted the deal and that he would immediately go about having the plans prepared. It is under-

**DOORS CLOSED**

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson Make Arab-Like Get-Away From Bemidji.

The doors of the Exchange saloon, one of the notorious places of the city are closed today and Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson who have conducted a get-the-money saloon and restaurant there since the departure of the late lamented W. H. Bohannon have left the city, presumably between two days as there is no information available for a number of people who are interested. The Thompsons have conducted a rough house, have been in police court several times and their departure will not be generally regretted. The license is owned by the Duluth Brewing Co. and the place will probably be opened under a new management soon.

**TOOK BANK ROLL**

Old Time Manipulator of the Pictured Pasteboards Easy Marked by Pat.

In the parlance of the profession an old time manipulator of the pictured pasteboards has just been easy marked in this city for a bank roll of \$300 by a partner who was supposed to be too young to be wise.

The pair are from the southern part of the state and came to this section about two weeks ago to stunt with the unlucked woodsmen who tempt the fickle goddess of fortune at the prosaic pastime of poker.

The pair had an agreement. They were to play a joint game and all winnings were to be split in the middle. Various towns in this county were visited and things were going along very nicely. The bank roll was growing steadily and there was some \$300 in the partnership fund when the younger of the two suddenly left the city yesterday with the bank roll of \$300. The man who was fleeced sought legal advice but under the circumstances the only recourse apparent in his case is to stand his hand.

**Three Weeks Says Eberline.**

Fred Eberline, who is in charge of the construction of the Bemidji brewery and the placing in position of the machinery of the plant, states that the last of the equipment of the plant is expected to arrive tomorrow and that if it does the brewery will be making beer inside of three weeks. The starting of the plant has been greatly delayed by the failure of the house furnishing the equipment to ship as promptly as had been expected.

**Pig Starts Sensation.**

A lumbering, grunting, disheveled pig caused a decided sensation at the Palace clothing store last evening. The animal was the property of County Commissioner Wright and strayed down town closely followed by Mr. Wright's little son, bent on his capture. The boy endeavored to turn the pig home but it bolted into the clothing store and it kept all concerned very busy for some time trying to convince the animal that the proper place for it was on the outside.

stood the house will have a frontage of 100 feet on Third street and 140 feet on Bemidji avenue and will be three stories of brick thoroughly modern throughout, finished in hardwood and is planned as one of the best equipped and thoroughly well arranged houses outside of Minneapolis and St. Paul. The plans will be prepared by a well known St. Paul architect. Work on excavation is expected to commence as soon as Mr. Markham arrives. The news will be generally acceptable to the business people of the city. Mr. Markham has long been one of Bemidji's best and thoroughly public spirited citizens, has unbounded confidence in the future of the town and the new house will represent one of the heaviest investments in the city. The house will be pushed to completion as soon as possible.

**MANY MILES OF NEW SIDEWALK**

Number of Petitions Being Circulated in Residence Portion of City.

RESIDENTS OF BELTRAMI AVENUE PRESENT ONE.

City Council Had a Big Night for Bills and Paid Out About \$700.

The city council held a regular meeting last night and paid out more money than any meeting the council has recently had. Mayor Ludington was absent as was Alderman Hazen, and Alderman Bowser presided over Recorder Bailey and Alderman Graham.

Thirty-two bills came up for the official o. k. of the finance committee. Among those allowed were the bills for expense incurred at the funeral of Chief Bemidji, amounting in all to \$115, and the bills for labor and material in the repair of the Third street dock, which made a total of about \$500.

Residents of Beltrami avenue presented a petition for the extension of the sidewalk on the west side of Beltrami from Ninth to Thirteenth street, signed by all but three of the property owners affected, whose signatures could not be obtained for the reason that they were out of the city. The petition was referred to the street committee.

The matter of setting aside a night when the militia company could use the city hall did not come up at the meeting. The committee of the militia company appointed to take the matter up with the council interviewed the individual members yesterday afternoon. Owing to the contract with Manager Wheelock the request of the company will be somewhat difficult to grant as the bookings for the house extend into July. The matter will be taken up and settled at a future meeting.

It was apparent last night that a large number of improvements are contemplated in the residence portion of the city and at the next meeting of the council two sidewalk petitions will be up for consideration. One will ask for an extension on Minnesota avenue to Twelfth street and another for an extension on Irvine avenue from Tenth street to the north line of White's addition. In all there will be petitions in for about two miles of new sidewalk.

After the regular business had been disposed of the council spent some time in an informal discussion of some of the matters that will come before it during the summer.

The water question will soon be a problem and unless the well which Warfield Bros. are digging comes up to expectations the city will probably find itself unable to supply city water for lawn sprinkling purposes. The capacity of the water plant is only equal to about half the demand.

The sewerage question cannot be taken up until this matter is disposed of, but the council hopes for a satisfactory solution of the problem before its next meeting.

In the event that anything is done this season on the sewerage system, plans for which have been prepared, and it is built according to the plans submitted, the construction of the system will probably be begun this year by building sewers from American avenue to the lake and from Beltrami avenue to First street and thence to the lake. All this is still very indefinite, however.

There is all disposition to make the best of the situation and the sewerage is an urgent need that will be looked after just as soon as possible. The erection of substantial buildings in the business portion of the city is being delayed pending the adjustment of the sewer question and if the matter can be reached and the work done this year it will no doubt be gone about.

**Higher Two Years Ago.**

W. G. Schroeder states that the Pioneer was misinformed yesterday when it stated that there was a higher stage of water in the Mississippi Saturday than for several years. Mr. Schroeder states that two years ago this spring the water in the river was fourteen inches higher than it was Saturday. It is now considerably over a foot under the high water mark at that time.

**Sending Out an Outfit.**

The Brainerd Lumber company sent another outfit up the Mississippi this morning to get ready for the drive. It is in charge of Levi Truckey, an old time river man. All the drives are expected to be gotten under way this week.

**BUYING BIG BILL**

North Dakota Telephone Men Looking Up North Line Cedar Stocks.

Chas. Tolan, superintendent of construction for the Red River Telephone Co., and the president of the company were in the city yesterday on their way to the cedar yards at the north line towns, where they were about to place one of the largest orders for telephone poles ever placed in this section of the country.

The Red River Telephone Co. plans extensive additions to its service the coming year and is in the market for 10,000 telephone poles. The cedar market has never been so good in the history of the north country as it is this spring and it is anticipated that there is not enough stock at all of the north line yards combined to fill the order.

**KILLED BY CAR**

Aged Father of Dr. Tuomy Killed By Street Car at Ann Arbor.

Dr. Tuomy left at noon today for his old home at Ann Arbor, Mich., on a very sad errand. This morning he was informed by telegram of the accidental death of his father, who was struck by a street car and instantly killed. He was about 72 years old, and much respected. He leaves a grown-up family. The doctor will be absent from the city for about two weeks.

**WORK OF TRAMPS**

Car of Merchandise Broken Open and Keg of Whisky Stolen Last Night.

A car of merchandise standing at the team track of the Great Northern yards was broken into last night and a keg of whisky, consigned to a local liquor dealer, was stolen. The theft was not discovered for some time and is believed to be the work of tramps, who have been in evidence in the railroad yards here for several days. The seal of the car was broken to gain admission and the offense is a very serious one.

**Expects to Hear From Ralph.**

Senator Swedback has written another letter to State Drainage Engineer Ralph at Crookston and expects Mr. Ralph to answer this week and fix a date when he can go with the senator to look up the location for the state ditch which is to be built in Beltrami county. The matter has been dragging for some time and the senator is anxious to have it disposed of in some way.

**Going Out of Business.**

Ed Lucia, who for the past year has been in the saloon business at Tenstrike announces his intention of going out of business as soon as his license expires. Mr. Lucia was in the city this morning on his way to Walker. He is an old time boatman and expects to be employed on one of the boats at Walker this summer.

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**Building Cottages.**

L. W. Deichert, of Grand Forks, arrived in the city yesterday to remain for several weeks and superintend the erection of four new summer cottages at Grand Forks bay. The cottages will be built for Herman Wolf, Paul Hogan, M. P. DeWolf and Larson Overbeck, all business

men of Grand Forks, whose families will come here to spend the summer.

**Has New Location.**

John Smith, one of the city's most popular tonorial artists, opened his parlors at a new location in the Markham annex this morning. The new place will

give Mr. Smith greatly enlarged opportunities and better enable him to take care of a large and increasing patronage. The shop is one of the neatest in town and the location should prove a very popular one.

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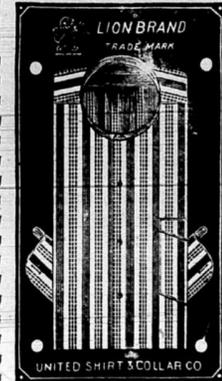
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