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## THE WINGS OF PEACE

### They Brooded Over the Council Tuesday Night.

## MECUSKER ELECTED PRESIDENT

### The Majority's Slate Got Fractured Rather Badly During the Evening.

Contrary to the expectations of many, the new council organized without trouble on Tuesday evening. A large number were present, and as the council did not go into executive session, they were given a chance to view the proceedings.

It was understood that the aldermen from the First and Third wards had combined on organization. Mecusker was elected president and Turner vice president without opposition. It was also claimed that the same aldermen had an understanding on appointments, but if there was a slate, it broke in two, as the Third ward men are not particularly happy over Coleman's selection as janitor.

E. P. Adams was elected city attorney without opposition.

On street commissioner an informal ballot resulted: E. G. Hill, 1; Geo. Keeler, 1; Chas. Lafond, 3; J. D. Hatten, 1. The formal ballot elected Lafond, he receiving 4, Hill 1, Keeler 2.

The informal ballot on janitor of the city hall gave Geo. Stillwell 1; J. D. Hatton 1, M. Coleman 4, Wm. O'Shea 1. The formal ballot gave Coleman 4, electing him, and Stillwell 3. This was the first break in the slate.

S. F. Staples was elected city engineer, receiving 4 votes to 3 for Nels Peterson.

Eleven ballots were taken for health officer, and the result was a surprise. The first ballot was: Dr. Trace 3, Dr. Millsbaugh 2, Dr. Fortier 2. The ballots were mainly like this, with slight variations, except the tenth, when Fortier got one, and the others—three each. The eleventh ballot elected Fortier, he receiving 4, Trace 2, and Millsbaugh 1.

John Bowman was elected poundmaster on the second ballot. Chas. Robbins, Wm. Robbins, and Jas. Selck "also ran."

The selection of two members of the board of health was laid over to the next meeting. The members whose terms expire are S. Treby and E. W. Collins.

The mayor's message was then read. It is as follows:

Little Falls, Minn., April 5, 1898.  
TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LITTLE FALLS, MINN. GENTLEMEN:

The charter of the city of Little Falls directs that the mayor shall, from time to time, bring before the city council such matters as he may deem worthy of consideration. It has been the practice of my predecessors to submit a message at the beginning of their terms, and I therefore follow that custom.

The financial condition of the city is not satisfactory. The revenue yield is nearly a year in arrears, and has been in practically the same shape for several years, during which the city has been paying interest on its orders. I attribute this state of affairs, in common with the majority of the people of this city, in the main to the payment of exorbitant rates by the city for light and water. As cases bearing directly on this point are now in court, it may seem unnecessary to refer to what has been called the "light and water question," but it is my belief that so long as the city continues to pay present rates, so long as utilities so necessary to the comfort and health of the people are in the hands of private owners, all attempts at removing the burdens of the city by economies in other directions, will be futile. The taxpayers expect economies in expenditures and economy should be practiced wherever it is safe and possible, but so long as the main cause of the trouble is untouched, all other economies, will not, in the aggregate, be enough to solve the financial problem. Other cities which were situated as Little Falls is now, have solved the problem—and done so through municipal ownership. It is not necessary in the present

message to bring forward arguments and figures in favor of municipal ownership, as the question is not likely to come up before you for some time. What may be called the principle of public ownership of utilities whose value the public itself creates, is spreading through the United States. In the practical appliance of this principle, a cure may be found for many of the financial ills of municipalities.

There has been for some years a sentiment in the northern and western parts of the city, for an additional policeman. The city extends over so much ground that three policemen cannot be expected to thoroughly patrol it. There should be two policemen on duty most of the night, instead of one, as at present. It is impossible for a single officer to make trains, protect the business center, and be on the West side at the same time. A year ago a petition, with numerous signatures, asking for an additional officer, was presented to the council. Conditions have not changed since then, although the appointing power has. I recommend the authorization of four instead of three policemen.

It is not necessary to say in this message what the policy of the mayor will be. My position was clearly defined in the late campaign and I know of no reason why it should be changed.

The duties of the mayor are so purely executive that recommendations made by him to the council are simply suggestions, which the council in its legislative capacity may or may not endorse. There is no reason why all branches of the city government should not be in harmony. It will be the pleasure, as well as the duty, of the present executive to co-operate with the council in all measures looking to the welfare of the city.

Respectfully,  
CHAS. E. VASALY,  
Mayor.

On the resolution fixing the number of police at three the vote was: Aye, Turner, Mecusker, Moeglein, Carlson; nay, Hill, Martin, Lane. The vote shows that the aldermen from the big second ward stood by the wishes of their constituents.

Salaries were fixed as follows: Chief of police, \$55 per month; patrolman, \$50 per month.

City attorney—\$300 a year. Clerk—\$350 a year. Assessor—\$350.

Janitor—\$50 per month. Health officer—\$100 per year. Street commissioner—\$2.50 per day.

The city clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for city printing. Time of meeting was left at the first Wednesday in each month.

The council adjourned until April 14, when an application for license will come up.

President Mecusker announced the committee's Wednesday. They are as follows:

Poor—Moeglein, Turner, Lane. Finance—Martin, Carlson, Hill. Building—Hill, Turner, Martin. Street—Carlson, Moeglein, Lane. Purchasing—Turner, Moeglein, Hill. Fire—Lane, Carlson, Moeglein.

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## THE LAST SAD SCENE

### Funeral Processions of Casper Schmitt at Little Falls and Chaska.

Chaska Herald: We publish elsewhere in this issue an extended notice of the death of Casper Schmitt at Little Falls, together with the resolutions adopted by the Fire department of that city, of which deceased was an active member. Little remains for us to say. Casper was born and raised in this town and grew to manhood in our midst and was known and respected as a young man of sterling worth, and his death causes universal sorrow in this community and his bereaved family, wife, children, mother, brothers and sisters—all have the condolence of our people in their affliction.

The remains arrived here from Little Falls, under escort of Simon Brick, of the Modern Woodmen of America, Joseph Gross, of St. Joseph society, and Martin Porter and Fred Valentine, of the Fire department of that city, on the six o'clock train Saturday evening, and the funeral took place from the Catholic church, Sunday afternoon, and was one of the largest and most imposing corteges ever witnessed of late years in this city. The St. Peter's society and the Fire department of this city, were out in full force, with regalia and uniforms, making a beautiful appearance. The interment took place in the Catholic cemetery.

### PEACE TO HIS ASHES.

The undersigned desire in this public manner to return our sincere thanks to the Chaska Fire department, St. Peter's society, the Catholic choir, and also to all friends who kindly assisted us in the burial of our dear husband, son and brother.

MRS. CASPER SCHMITT,  
MRS. ROSA SCHMITT,  
AND BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

Seldom has anyone received such a tribute of love and respect as was given by the people of Little Falls last Saturday morning in the funeral procession which escorted the remains of Casper Schmitt from his home to church, and thence to the station, from there to be taken to Chaska for interment at the old home.

The procession included the City band, St. Joseph's Benevolent Society, the Little Falls camp of Modern Woodmen, and the fire department, all of which Mr. Schmitt had been a valued member.

Mr. Schmitt was the first member of the Woodmen here to die of disease, which made the occasion unusually significant for the members of that order.

The pall bearers were Jos. L. Meyer, Peter Medved, Frank Ellenbecker, S. P. Brick, Fred Valentine and Anton Kerich.

The procession moved from the house to the German Catholic church, where Father Raster officiated in the rites of the church and thence the remains were escorted to the station and taken to Chaska on the 1:15 train.

Mr. Schmitt's mother, who arrived Friday, and Mrs. Schmidt accompanied the remains, as also the following gentlemen, who were designated by the respective societies as escorts of honor: St. Joseph's Society—J. J. Gross; Firemen—Fred Valentine, Martin Poster; Woodmen—S. P. Brick.

### Resolutions.

#### CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, it has seemed best to the All-wise Ruler of the universe to remove from our ranks our esteemed and well-beloved brother, Casper Schmitt, a strong, efficient and ever ready fireman, a public spirited and active citizen, a kind and generous friend, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the fire department of Little Falls, Minn., do hereby express our heartfelt regret at the loss of our brother, and tender to his friends and relatives our sincere sympathy and condolence in this hour of their bereavement, and

RESOLVED, that a copy hereof be

sent to the widow of deceased, and be published in the Little Falls and Chaska papers.

F. W. LYON,  
P. LAUERMAN,  
F. B. STUART. } Com.

HOSE COMPANY NO. 2.  
WHEREAS, it hath pleased Almighty God to call from our midst our esteemed friend and brother fireman, Casper Schmitt, be it

RESOLVED, that we recognize the loss of a good citizen and noble fireman, and be it

RESOLVED; that the sympathy of our company be extended to the bereaved family in this their sad hour of distress, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of these resolutions be furnished to the widow of deceased, and that the same be spread upon our records and published in the Little Falls and Chaska papers.

JOHN McDONALD, } Com.  
MARTIN POSTER. }

O. B. Whitford and family have moved back to Little Falls, from Grey Eagle.

License to marry was issued Monday to Joseph Barbeau and Caroline Thompson.

Father Twohy will deliver a sermon in English at the French Catholic church tonight.

A. D. McRae, formerly of Little Falls, is in St. Mary's Hospital, Duluth, quite ill with typhoid fever.

Friday's Pioneer Press said that J. H. Rhodes was in Washington. Some of the fellows are wondering what John Henry is after.

The Montevideo farmers' hail insurance company, which has done considerable business in this county, went into a receiver's hands a short time ago.

St. Bonifacius Cor. Chaska Herald: Peter Geyen and Joe Gast took their departure for Little Falls last week, where they intend to work during the summer.

Live hog of Crow Wing, owner of the largest hog in the world, was in the city Tuesday. He said that he had received an offer to exhibit "Big Tom" at the Omaha exposition.

Richmond Cor. St. Cloud Times: Our druggist, Jos. Schwankl, has just furnished an inventory of his stock of drugs, which is said to exceed \$2500 in value, besides the many other things such as a large supply of wall paper and school supplies which he is also handling.

What a mournful wail Fuller makes over the city council's appointments. Such a pity that a "Republican" council should elect democrats to office. After a while Fuller will realize that there are some republicans who don't ask Fuller's advice as to what they shall do on any matter.

The Transcript says that the mayor asked for a fourth policeman in order to pay a political debt. It would be impossible for the Transcript to conceive of any appointment being made except to pay a debt of that kind. The facts are as stated in the mayor's message. The city has not grown smaller in the last year. If an extra policeman was needed a year ago, he is still needed. We direct the Transcript's attention to the following names of republicans, all of whom signed a year ago a petition to a democratic mayor, asking for an extra policeman, which petition is on file with the city clerk: A. R. Davidson, C. W. Woodworth, J. A. Nelson, F. Graham, S. M. Siverts, J. A. Nichols, H. N. Harding, H. A. Rider, L. Signor, W. A. Butler, C. A. Lindbergh, L. M. Gaudet, And. Honore, M. J. Bracke, M. D. Huff, Ernest Boyce, R. McCullough, R. N. Nichols, I. L. Warren, F. Sonthmayd, C. Wright, H. A. Dow, P. J. Otem, J. M. Tuttle, C. Sheldon, H. Jacobson, S. F. Staples, H. Jorgenson, T. O. Berg.

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## WILL START TOMORROW

### Big Mill Will Then Commence Cutting Logs.

## LITTLE MILL WILL NOT RUN

### List of Principal Employes of the Big Concern.

The large saw mill of the Pine Tree Lumber Co. will begin sawing tomorrow. The mill has been ready for operation for some time, but it was necessary to wait until the ice was out in the channel of the river.

It has been decided not to run the East side mill. The principal employes of the small mill have been transferred to the West side mill.

The force is somewhat changed since last year. The executive direction of the big plant is in the hands of the following:

Peter Musser, president; M. G. Norton, vice-president; Drew Musser, secretary and treasurer; C. A. Weyerhaeuser, general manager; E. M. Hoover, chief of sales department; B. J. Hinkle, superintendent pine land and logging department; F. E. Levis, head bookkeeper; Herman Utsch, retail accountant; Aug. Christensen, stenographic department; H. H. Hutchinson, order clerk; Ernest A. Boyce, bill clerk; Eugene N. Laird, timekeeper.

Following is a list of the principal men on the mill force this season:

In the mills—Ira L. Warren, superintendent; A. H. Bryan, chief engineer.

West side mill—day run—Frank Southmayd, assistant foreman and millwright; T. Amo, second engineer; Chester Rogers and Earl Rogers, band sawyers; T. O. Berg, gang sawyer; W. E. Green and Wm. Mattison, edgers; Peter Chouinard, Peter Johnson and Frank Chouinard, trimmers; Jas. McCoy, gang flier; M. C. Davis, band saw flier; John Wickwire, head fireman.

West side mill—night run—Alex. Rowe, assistant foreman; E. M. Snow, second engineer; Rand Gillette and Wm. Beattie, band sawyers; W. E. Reid, gang sawyer; Frank Hop, millwright; H. W. Bodah and Chas. Parker, edgers; Jos. Cupa, Paul Hapke and Vincent Cupa, trimmers; Nels Thompson, head fireman.

Repairs—Edward Hughes, black smith; Simon Guerin, wagon-maker. Lath and Shingles—John A. Foss, contractor.

Boom—H. A. Conner, foreman. In yards—west side—R. N. Nichols, superintendent; Nels Nelson, assistant foreman; Wm. H. Bird, Alf. Rudd, Chas. Frederickson, John Frederickson, John Bowman, Erick Peterson and August Larson, graders. N. H. Elvig, piling contractor.

Sorting shed—Frank Morgan, assistant foreman, day; Wm. Dulmage, assistant foreman, night. Planing mill—day run—Geo. A. Denney, foreman; Andrew Foss, assistant foreman; Eug. L. Warren, engineer. Planing mill—night run—L. A. French, assistant foreman; H. D. Warren, engineer.

Electrician—Jas. Gordon. Shipping department—day run—Alva Ashcraft, foreman; Geo. Randalman, assistant foreman.

Shipping department—night run—Olaf Holme, assistant foreman. Retail department—Z. N. Barnes, salesman.

Chas. J. Haines, formerly editor of the Herald, was elected mayor of Wabasha Tuesday. As Brother Fuller says, "You can't down us newspaper men." We congratulate Wabasha and Brother Haines.

J. P. Sibley and Al. Ball went to Menabga Wednesday, to join the Burton & McGee drive on the Crow Wing and tributaries. Ball will be cook on the drive, and Sibley will look after the interests of the Pine Tree Co. Several more go up tomorrow.

### Band Concert.

The last band concert of the present series will be held at Gross opera house next Monday evening. The concert will be followed by a ball. The concert program is as follows:

Cesar's Triumphal March..... Mitchell  
Selection—Carmen..... Biset  
Song—Happy Days—with violin obligato  
..... Strezeik  
Miss Addie Tanner  
Trio..... Musical Mokes  
Alto solo—Serenade..... Stublebein  
Violin Fantasia—Scene de Ballet..... De Beroit  
Waltz Clog.....  
Song—Quartet..... Do: fetti  
Guernon, Warren, Johnson, Bailey  
Violin Quartet—Air and Vivace from La  
Favorita.....  
Folson, Richard, Merrick, Zaloudek  
The Forge in the Forest—Italy..... Michaelis  
Synopsis—Adagio, night—Adagio len-  
to, morning—Allegro, by the brook—  
The steeple bell strikes five—Morning  
Prayer—The forge.

Alex. Wochnik, of Ledoux, has secured a contract for the brick work on the new Catholic church at Browerville. His bid was \$700.

We direct Brother Fuller's attention to the fact that a strong republican council actually had the bad taste to elect democrats to office.

The Royal is the highest grade baking powder known. Actual tests show it goes one-third further than any other brand.



### Easter Services.

#### FRENCH CATHOLIC CHURCH.

High mass will commence at 10:30, with Father Lamothe as celebrant. The choir will be assisted by Dr. Fortier and Henry Richard on cornet and violin. The musical program is as follows:

Vidi Aquam..... Pecher  
Mass in F..... Shuey  
Offertory, Solo and Chorus, Quid Retri-  
buium..... Lambillotte  
Veni Creator, Solo and Chorus..... Wiegand

VEPERS.  
Benediction.....  
Regina coeli..... Wiegand  
Gloria Hosanna..... Wiegand  
Trio—Soprano, Tenor, Bass..... Wesley  
Tantum Ergo, solo and chorus. Lambillotte

#### CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR.

Rev. A. A. Joss will preach the Easter sermon. The musical program will be as follows, with Mrs. C. H. Brown at the organ:

Organ voluntary..... Bach  
Pr. cessional..... Hutchins  
Anthem, Christ Our Passover.....  
Gloria Patri..... Danks  
Te Deum Laudamus in F..... Schilling  
Tribute Deo in D..... Danks  
Hymn in the Day of Resurrection  
Offertory..... Shelley  
Bass solo..... Elvey  
Kyrie Eleison..... Elvey  
Sanctus..... Wesley  
Gloria in Excelsis Deo..... Hutchins  
Organ postlude..... Baptiste

Mrs. J. A. Foss is very low.

The pension board meet Tuesday and examined E. C. Tresscott and John Smallwood, who applied for pension increase.

H. Arneson, late of Morris, is now employed at C. H. Brown's. Mr. Arneson comes highly recommended. Mr. Paulson, whose place Mr. Arneson takes, has been called to Wisconsin to administer the estate of his brother. Mr. Paulson's many friends will much regret his departure.

Mrs. A. Kosloki of Berg's addition gave bond before Justice Sheldon Monday to keep the peace. She had trouble with neighbors. Some other woman in the neighborhood made declaration of belligerency, but their independence was recognized and the trouble smoothed over by Sagasta Shaw.

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