

SCANDINAVIANS IN MINNESOTA

TOTAL NUMBER IN STATE IN 1910 WAS 610,703, SAYS CENSUS FIGURES

The Scandinavian group including Norwegian, Swedish and Danish was the largest among the 1,484,146 persons of white stock in Minnesota in 1910, according to the "mother-tongue" bulletin issued by Director William J. Harris of the bureau of census. The total number of Scandinavians was 610,703 of which 286,884 were Norwegians, 282,037 Swedes and 41,782 Danish.

The German group numbered 403,117; the English and Celtic, including Irish, Scotch and Welsh, numbered 212,344; the Polish, 49,142; the Finnish, 43,719; the French, 43,570; the Bohemian and Moravian, 33,247; Yiddish and Hebrew, 17,877; Italian, 13,592; Dutch, 11,418; Slovenian, 10,661; Serbo-Choatin, 7,901; Slovak, 2,740; Magyar, 2,374; Greek, 2,076; Flemish, 2,008; and Russian, 1,517.

In St. Paul the German group numbered 50,063, or 24 per cent of the total population in 1910. The English and Celtic group numbered 33,680, or 16 per cent; the Swedish numbered 25,506 or 12 per cent; the Norwegian, 9,738, or 5 per cent. The total foreign white stock in St. Paul numbered 149,922, or 71 per cent of the total white population.

In Minneapolis the Scandinavian group numbered 94,227, or 32 per cent of the total population. The English and Celtic group numbered 40,740 or 14 per cent; the German 31,898, or 11 per cent. The total foreign white stock numbered 202,486, or 68 per cent of the total white population.

SALOONS FOR MOTLEY

Judge Rosser dismissed the Motley election contest case Tuesday morning, upon motion of attorney for the drys. Some of the principal witnesses for the drys failed to appear and as it was impossible to give any evidence without the testimony of these the attorney for the drys motioned for dismissal of the case, which was granted by the judge. The wets claimed a majority of two votes on the question and are therefore the victors. In a case of this kind the side demanding a change must have a majority of votes. Should a tie result the side demanding the change would lose.

BEN FEARING BUYS LIVERY STABLE

St. Cloud Times: Ben Fearing, owner and proprietor of the Star livery, today took charge of the Fifth avenue livery, which was purchased by him Saturday. Mr. Fearing is looking over the stock and working on the harness and horses. In the deal are included 16 horses, which had been in the Fifth avenue livery before, and all other stock. Mr. Fearing said he would continue to conduct the Star livery for the present, and would not decide on the future for it just now. He will be stationed almost exclusively at the new place, however.

ROBBERY SUSPECT RELEASED

Edward Whipper of Rice, who was arrested recently as a suspect in the Rice church robbery affair, was given a hearing in St. Cloud Saturday, but was dismissed because no evidence could be secured against him. This young man, with another named Schuler, went to Minneapolis to take employment the morning following the robbery and suspicion was directed toward them. Schuler has not yet been given a hearing, but it is thought that he also was free from implication in the affair.

PROF. MARIA SANFORD LECTURES

Prof. Maria Sanford gave an illustrated lecture for children at the story hour at the Congregational church Friday afternoon. Her subject was "Egypt." The same afternoon she addressed the students at the high school on "Windows." Friday evening she appeared before a fair sized audience at the high school auditorium and rendered the reading "King Lear." Miss Elaine Ruth sang several fine selections at this meeting.

I. O. O. F. CELEBRATES 95th ANNIVERSARY

The Odd Fellows' lodge all over the world last Sunday celebrated the 95th anniversary of the foundation of the order. Services appropriate to the occasion were held at the M. E. church in this city Sunday morning. They marched to the church in a body from the hall on First street southeast. The Rebekah lodge, ladies' auxiliary, also took part in the celebration.

RED WING VOTES LICENSE

Red Wing, Minn., April 28.—At the municipal election Monday license, carried by 346 votes. A proposition to increase the license fee from \$500 to \$1,000 was defeated by fifty-one votes. The ordinance eliminating tolls on the high bridge, providing the island opposite Red Wing is ceded to Minnesota by Wisconsin, carried by a large majority.

JEANNE RUSSEL'S PLAYS GOOD

The Brandon-Russell company gave a series of excellent one-act plays at the Milo theatre the first of the week, beginning Sunday evening, when the play, "A Star By Mistake" was put on to a packed house. The company played here four nights and each time was greeted by large, appreciative audiences.

LAURELS CHANGE NAME

The West side baseball team has changed its name from "The Laurels" to "The Victor Clothing Company Team." The suits have been re-lettered with the new initials. Frank Greeca remains manager of the team and Reynold Johnson captain.

N. P. AGENT AT BARROWS

Barrows, Minn., April 25.—The town of Barrows will be supplied with an agent beginning Monday who will have charge of express, freight and passenger service and will also give the town wire service.

GOTTSTEIN REFUSED LICENSE

BY COUNCIL FRIDAY NIGHT. ALL BIDS FOR SPRINKLING ALSO REJECTED

The city council met in regular adjourned session Friday evening at the city hall, with Alderman Moeglein, Blake, Venners, H. Peterson, Bell, LeFond and Hall present.

The Transcript Publishing company was awarded the contract for the city printing at the rates of 75 cents per folio for the first insertion and 35 cents for subsequent insertions.

The bids for street sprinkling were next taken up, and after some discussion it was decided to reject all the bids on the account of the fact that some contained agreements to do work other than street sprinkling.

The bids submitted were as follows: Arthur Levin, \$90 per month or \$4 per day.

Dell Batters, \$90 per month, team to be used for night fires.

Fred M. Johnson, R. No. 6, \$88 per month.

N. Battles, \$90 per month.

James Rennie, \$90 per month, team to be used for other street work when not kept busy at sprinkling.

Jack Greisch, \$85 per month.

Tom Picotte, \$77.50.

The city clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for street sprinkling again.

Geo. Moeglein, chairman of the committee, appointed to take up the matter of purchasing a sprinkler, reported that they had purchased the street sprinkler from Peter Sand for \$100, and turned the bill of sale over to the city clerk. The bill for the sprinkler, for \$100, and \$1.50 for labor were allowed.

The bids for the city depository being the same, offering 1 per cent interest on open accounts and two per cent interest on time deposits, the German American National, the First National and the Merchants' State banks were designated as depositories and a resolution passed to this effect.

Gus Luberts, contractor, was granted a permit to use a part of First street and First avenue northeast for piling material for the construction of a residence.

I. Gottstein's application for a license to sell intoxicating liquor in the building known as the Brockoff building on Broadway East was refused by a majority vote of the council. Before the vote was called in the granting of the license, a petition signed by 29 residents or business people from the immediate vicinity of the proposed location of the saloon was read. This petition asked that the council refuse to grant the license. The city clerk then proceeded to call the vote on the matter. Alderman Bell voted "no" and Blake was called upon. He asked for a recess before the vote was taken and this was granted. The aldermen discussed the matter for a short time and the city clerk then proceeded to take the vote, with the result that the applicant was refused a license. Alderman H. Peterson from the Third ward and Alderman-at-Large Geo. Moeglein voted for the license and the others against. Alderman LeFond, before voting, stated that this was an opportune time to take a step toward bettering conditions in the city and therefore he would vote "no" in the matter.

An ordinance introduced by Alderman Bell, chairman of the finance committee, raising the salary of the city assessor from \$300 for odd numbered years and \$350 for even numbered years to \$400 for the odd and \$450 for the even, was unanimously passed.

The city clerk announced that a telegram had been received from P. J. Sult of the Gas Construction company of Milwaukee, stating that he would be unable to attend the meeting Friday evening, and asking that the council arrange for a meeting for the evening of the following Tuesday, at which time he assured them he would be present to file his bonds, have the site fixed, etc.

Frank Kiewel of the Elks music committee, addressed the council on the matter of having open air concerts during the summer months. He stated that Wm. Bastien, leader of the band, would be willing to give two concerts each week, one on a week day and one on Sunday at the Pine Grove park or the baseball park, as desired, for \$500 per year, he to furnish all the music.

Aldermen Venners, H. Peterson and Blake were appointed as a committee to meet with the Elks committee to discuss the matter and report at the next regular adjourned meeting.

City Attorney Vernon was asked as to the proper procedure in opening the alley in Block 5, between First and Second avenues southeast, which had been used by property owners for a number of years. Mr. Vernon stated that if the alley was under adverse possession 15 years prior to 1899 it would be necessary to get out a petition to vacate the alley and to carry out condemnation proceedings. It is expected that this will be done.

The street committee was instructed to investigate the condition of Third street northeast near the Trebby residence, as the council's attention was called to heaps of sand and stone which were left there after work on some building was completed.

Alderman Blake announced to the council that the seats which had been purchased for the city hall could not be set up, as they were poorly constructed. He suggested that the seats be shipped back to the company and take up the matter of purchasing some other make. On account of the absence of Alderman Geo. Peterson, who was chairman of the committee which ordered the seats, the matter was left to the next meeting.

Eugene Pilon was granted a license to sell intoxicating liquors, and his bonds with L. M. Gaudet and Victor Schallern as sureties were approved. At this point Alderman Venners asked the city attorney if it would be possible to make some provision whereby all applications for license be accompanied by a surety bond, issued by a surety company. The city attorney stated that this could be done through an ordinance. Nothing further was done in the matter.

Fire Chief Geo. Emdler took up the matter of the council granting permit for a wooden building within the fire limits. He referred to the Crosland shooting gallery, which was recently erected near the Royal Cafe on Broad-

way East. He said that as long as the council allows the erection of such buildings in the city the insurance rates are going to be high. A building such as the one referred to, is by no means fire proof, said the chief, even though it is to be steel clad. The alderman stated that they had understood that the building was to be constructed of steel, except the frame-

work, which was to be of dimension. The fire committee was appointed to meet with the fire chief and take up this matter, and to report at the next meeting.

Adjournment was then taken to Tuesday evening.

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