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Gleaned from Our Exchanges

Two big "spots" on the sun have made their appearance. Evidently the whole solar system is in need of a thorough investigation.—St. Cloud Daily Times.

C. R. Thom was the successful applicant out of six applicants for the position of grain buyer of the new elevator which the Willmar Milling Co. is about to erect at this place. A better selection could not have been made as Mr. Thom's popularity with the general public will draw a good share of the trade.—Clara City Herald.

A Texas editor has hit the right spot when he says: "The sorriest fellow on earth is the fellow who will sit around and cuss his own town. If I lived astride the north pole, I would call it home and be ready to boost it. If I couldn't say anything nice about it I would say that my ice bill didn't come high. I would not stay in a town I had to cuss, not while the world is as big as it is now."

There was one act on the part of the carnival people here last week that was not advertised on the bills and programs, namely the marriage of Frank Purperin, the man who each day went up in the balloon, to Miss Addie LeRoy. The marriage was solemnized on last Saturday by Judge Thorson. The groom took a wedding trip all by himself a few hours after the ceremony was performed by going up in the balloon. Coming down he lit in the lake where the water was about four feet deep. He walked to the shore and proceeded to his stopping place to procure a pair of dry socks and trousers.—Glenwood Herald.

The general public does not seem to be aware of the fact that it is an offense against the postal laws to purchase postage stamps for the purpose of sending them away for the payment of goods of any kind. The local post-office tries to discourage as much as possible this practice and will refuse to sell stamps where it is known that they are intended to be used for this purpose. This week a government inspector arrested a man in the southern part of the state for sending stamps in quantities through the mail and he pleaded guilty and was promptly fined. It is given out that in the future more attention will be paid by the authorities to hunting down and punishing offenders against this section of the postal laws.—Lester Prairie News.

PETITION WILL BE HEARD

Notice of the Hearing of Petition for the Construction of a Sewer in the City of Willmar.

Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in the office of the city clerk of the city of Willmar signed by Charles B. Carlson and others asking for the construction of a sewer along the following route, viz: Commencing at and connecting with the sewer already constructed at the junction of Pacific avenue and Fourth street in the city of Willmar and running thence in a southerly direction and along the center of Fourth street to the center of the junction of Fourth street and Litchfield avenue, thence in a westerly direction and along the center of Litchfield avenue to the center of the junction of Litchfield avenue and Fifth street, thence in a southerly direction and along the center of Fifth street to a point that is one hundred and fifty feet south of the south line of Trot avenue and there ending, and the said petition is now pending before the city council of said city.

THE HIGHEST STAIRWAY

The highest stairway in the world is now under construction in the Himalayas. It is a staircase of 20,000 steps cut in slippery limestone. Who made these steps is largely a matter of surmise, but they were probably formed by religious enthusiasts to provide a means of access from the hot plains, out of which the mountain mass rises abruptly to the heights, 5,000 to 11,000 feet above, among which the Buddhist abode of Omi embodies some of the holiest traditions of the religion professed by its inmates. Anyhow, the staircase is there, and by it pilgrims attain to the shrine as well as the very few Europeans who have ever visited this singular spot.

THE "FIXED" HIS AUTO ALL RIGHT

Al Johnson, of Willmar, came down in his auto to spend a few days at the Interlachen. His "masheen" got "out of whack" so Al took off his coat and proceeded to "fix" it. And when he got it fixed he telephoned to Willmar for Sam Omondson to come out and put it together again.—Green Lake Breeze.

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Insurance and Assurance

"Pa," asked Tommy, "what's the difference between 'assurance' and 'insurance'?" "Well, my son, one is what the agent has, and the other is what he persists in trying to sell you."—Catholic Standard and Times.

It Depends

De Ferster they have been conversing on art topics—Are you fond of ma Jolice, Mrs. Parvenue? Mrs. Parvenue (who has made several bad mistakes since her entrance into society and is on her guard)—Well—er—that depends entirely on how it is cooked.

The Tables Turned

The Editor (gloomily)—I must say you don't seem to realize how terrible it is to lose you. The Author (sweetly)—You mustn't take it too much to heart, my friend. Rejection does not necessarily imply lack of merit.—Judge.

Bad Writer With a Good Memory

Harvey Waters, an expert on patent cases, had occasion to write Rufus Choate on some important question, and when he received the reply was unable to read a word of it, so took the missive to Mr. Choate and asked him what he had written. Mr. Choate replied: "I never can read my writing after the ink is dry, but if you tell me what it is about I will tell you what I have written." And he did.

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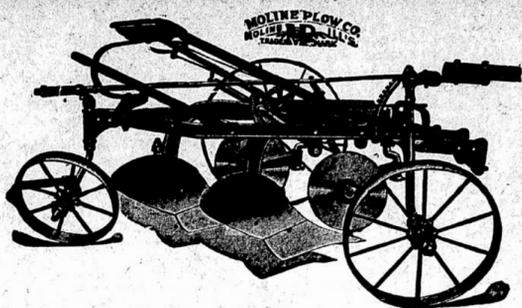
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ORIGIN OF GOLD PENS

THE FIRST ONES WERE MADE IN ENGLAND AND WERE FAILURES.

Then an American Citizen Discovered That Iridium Could Be Used For Protecting the Points, and the Perfect Pen Resulted.

To an American is due the credit for having made the fountain pen the useful article it has come to be, for without the gold pen point, which cannot corrode, the fountain pen would be useless.

The manufacture of gold pens was commenced in the United States in 1855 by a watchmaker of Detroit. Attempts had been made in England to make gold pens prior to that time, but they met with little success. Alloyed gold is too soft to make a durable point, and this circumstance made it necessary to protect the pen points with diamonds or rubies until John Isaac Hawkins, a citizen of the United States, but residing in England while the experiments in the manufacturing of gold pens were in progress there, accidentally discovered that the native alloy of iridium and osmium ore, one of the hardest and most refractory of all metallic alloys, could be used for protecting the points to much better advantage and more cheaply.

Hawkins' rights were purchased by a clergyman of Detroit, who induced the watchmaker above mentioned to manufacture gold pens. The first pens made by him were poor substitutes for the quill then in use. In 1840 his plant was taken to New York, where the business was enlarged.

Quite an improvement was added to the plant by the machines for the making and tempering of the pens, invented by John Rendell, one of the employees of the establishment. This establishment soon produced a gold pen so perfect that it combined the elasticity of the quill with the permanency of the metal. About 1850 it was discovered that by including the iridium points in the gold instead of soldering them on the corrosive influence of the ink on the two metals, the solder and the gold, was avoided and a firmer hold in the pen was given to the points.

The gold pen has been brought to its present degree of perfection by the American manufacturer, and the industry from its inception has been characterized by the use of American methods. For the production of the gold pen a high degree of skill is necessary, and only experts are employed in the different plants.

The gold used in the making of the pens is obtained from the United States assay office. It is then melted and alloyed about sixteen carats fine and rolled into a long, narrow ribbon, from which pen blanks or pen plates in the shape of a pen, but considerably thicker than the finished pen, are cut by means of a lever press or die and punch. The blunt nib of the blank is notched or recessed at the end to receive the iridium that forms the exceedingly hard point which all good pens possess.

The iridium is coated with a cream of borax ground in water and laid in the notch formed in the end of the blank. It is then secured by a process of sweating, which is nothing more or less than melting the gold of which the pen is formed so that it unites solidly with the iridium. The blank is then passed between rollers of peculiar form to give a gradually diminishing thickness from the point to the center. The rolls have a small cavity in which the extreme end of the iridium pointed nib is placed to prevent injury to the iridium. After rolling the nib of every pen is stiffened and rendered spongy by hammering.

This is the most important process in the manufacture of the pen, as the elasticity of the pen depends entirely upon this operation. The pen is then trimmed by a press similar to that which is used for cutting out the blanks or by automatic machinery. When the blank has been trimmed the name of the manufacturer and the number of the pen are stamped on it by means of a screw press.

The pen is given its convex surface also by means of a screw press, the blank being pressed between two die blocks beneath and a convex one above. Quite a little force is necessary to bring the pen to the required convexity, and when this operation is completed two jaws approach the blank and press it up on opposite edges, thus giving the pen its final shape.

The next step is to cut the iridium into two points by holding it on the edge of a thin copper disk which is charged with fine emery and oil and revolves at a high speed. The nib is then silt by a machine and the silt cleared by means of a fine circular saw. After sifting, the nibs are brought together by hammering, and the pen is finished on the inside by a convex form. This is necessary to give the pen a uniform surface and greater elasticity.

These nibs are then set by the fingers alone, after which operation the pen is ground by a lathe with a thin steel disk and a copper cylinder, both charged with fine emery and oil. The silt is then ground by a fine disk, and the sides of the nibs and the points are ground upon the copper cylinder. After the grinding is done the pen is polished upon buff wheels, which completes the process of manufacture.

Before the pen is placed upon the market, however, it is given a thorough inspection to see that it possesses the proper elasticity, fineness and weight, then passed to an inspector who tests it and weighs it.—Chicago Chronicle.

The Stray Bullet.
It is an odd fact that the most expert marksman cannot equal the merriment accuracy of the stray bullet in reaching the mark.—Baltimore American.

CITY COUNCIL'S DOINGS

Full Report of the Proceedings at the Last Two Sessions of the Council.

Library Building, Willmar Minn., July 31, 1905. Adjourned meeting of the City Council. In the absence of the mayor the city clerk called the meeting to order. On roll call there were present Aldermen Christianson, Nelson, Holt, Holmberg, Selvig, 6; absent, Mayor Orala, Aldermen Olson and Bergeson, 4. On motion Alderman Nelson was appointed acting mayor.

The following bills were on motion referred to the Finance committee: WATER AND LIGHT FUND: J. S. Robbins, coal, \$393.01; Hans Johnson & Co., hauling wood, 5.10; J. T. Otos, paid freight, 7.14; J. S. Robbins, lime and post, 3.25; Dave Crowley, labor on streets, 47.25; A. C. Hanson, " " 38.25; Lars Rasmussen, " " 28.50; Peter Anderson, " " 19.50; D. B. Dougherty, " " 47.56; J. J. Downs, " " 53.70; August Sundling, " " 39.00; J. T. Otos, money advanced for unloading gravel, 12.00; Alfred Gilbertson, cleaning streets, etc., 1.65; GENERAL FUND: Nils Pederson, labor on park, 5.25; K. T. Otos, " " 4.00; August Sundling, " " 1.50; PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND: Great Northern Ry. Co., freight on crossing stones, 40.30; Lars Rasmussen, labor on stone crossings, 1.50; K. T. Otos, labor on stone crossings, 2.75; August Sundling, labor on stone crossings, 3.00; Dave Crowley, labor on street crossings, 5.25; POOR FUND: J. S. Robbins, wood for poor, 3.15; Sletten & Strand, mdc. for poor, 7.15.

The Finance committee reported the foregoing bills back approved and on motion the report was accepted.

Alderman Holt offered the following resolution which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, 6; noes, none.

Be it resolved by the city council of the City of Willmar that the city clerk be and he is hereby authorized to issue warrants against the respective funds in payment of the foregoing approved bills.

Approved July 31, 1905. C. A. NELSON, Acting Mayor.

Petition of C. A. Olson, and others, asking to have 10th street between Litchfield and Becker avenues filled to grade and finished with gravel was on motion granted and the work to be done under the supervision of the Street committee and the street commissioner without cost to the city.

The request of W. T. Markhus, secretary, in behalf of the Willmar Street Fair association for the use of the streets and avenues for the running of the Street Fair during the week of September 18, 1905, and the right to sell privileges and for the free use of electric current was on motion granted.

Moved and seconded that the acting mayor appoint a committee of three to act in conjunction with the Willmar Street Fair association as to what streets and avenues to be used and where the booths shall be placed for the running of the street fair. Carried. The acting mayor appointed as such committee Messrs. Erick Holt, C. C. Selvig and E. M. Stanford.

The committee appointed to act in conjunction with the Water and Light commission as to the purchasing of a new alternator and engine and to repair the pole line of the city of Willmar in accordance with the report of Charles L. Pillsbury, consulting engineer, submitted its report recommending that the city council authorize the purchase of a new alternator and engine and the repairing of the pole line, said improvements not to exceed the cost of \$6,000. On motion the report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Alderman Selvig offered the following resolution which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, 6; noes, none.

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Approved August 14, 1905. C. C. SELVIG, Acting Mayor.

Petition of W. F. Graa, and others, asking to have Becker avenue between 9th and 10th streets gravelled was on motion granted and the work to be done under the supervision of the Street committee and the street commissioner and without cost to the city.

Petition of L. A. Vik, and others, asking to have 9th street between Litchfield and Becker avenues gravelled was on motion granted and the work to be done under the supervision of the Street committee and the street commissioner and without cost to the city.

Mr. Jonas Lundquist, chief of the fire department, appeared, asking the council to furnish the fire department with a team of horses and horse wagon and to employ a man to take care of same was on motion referred to the Fire Department committee to report at the next regular meeting of the council.

Moved and seconded that the city clerk be authorized to purchase a carload of Kasota beveled edge cross-walk stones. Carried.

The Street committee reported on the petition of Charles B. Carlson, and others, for the construction of a sewer recommending that the petition be granted. On motion the report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Alderman Christianson offered the following resolution, which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, 6; noes, none.

Whereas, Charles B. Carlson and others have presented to the council a duly verified petition praying for the construction of a sewer along the following route, to-wit: Commencing at and connecting with the sewer that now terminates at the junction of Pacific Avenue and Fourth street in said city and running thence in a southerly direction and along the center of Litchfield avenue and Fourth street, thence in a westerly direction and along the center of Litchfield avenue to the junction

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