

DR. HUMPHREY PASSES AWAY

Veteran Brown County Physician Answers Death's Call.

Was Personal Friend of Franklin Pierce in the Old Vermont Days.

Came West in 1858 and Settled in Minnesota in 1864.

Passing the allotted three score years and ten, with physical and mental facilities unimpaired, Dr. Truman R. Humphrey was nearing the century mark in life when death overtook him at the home of his son in Sleepy Eye early Friday morning.

Dr. Humphrey was born in Jericho, Vermont, in December, 1813. At an early age he went to Boston to take up the study of medicine, and practiced there several years. In 1858 he moved to La Crosse. Soon afterward he came on to Minnesota, settling in Brown county in 1864. He was one of the first physicians in the new county, and for many years practiced among the scattered settlers, often forced to compound his own drugs and medicines from roots and herbs in his struggles against sickness and disease.

For nearly fifty years he lived on his farm in Stark township, a township which he named in honor of General John Stark, the hero of his native Green mountain state.

Dr. Humphrey was prominent in political affairs in his younger days, and was well acquainted with many public men, President Franklin Pierce being one of his intimate friends.

The aged physician retained his health in a remarkable manner, and up to a few months ago was seen nearly every day on the streets, as strong in body and mind apparently as men fifty years younger.

AWFUL MISHAP BEFALLS MRS. OLIN

Daughter of Postmaster Peterson Terribly Injured by an Explosion of Gasoline.

News was received here Sunday of a terrible accident which befel Mrs. Andrew Olin of Franklin at half-past ten o'clock Sunday forenoon.

Mrs. Olin is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Peterson of this city and it was to them that a telephone message brought the details of their daughter's awful misfortune.

As near as can be learned Mr. Olin was away from home at the time the accident occurred. Mrs. Olin was in the kitchen with her little baby.

A gasoline stove constitutes a part of the kitchen furniture and it was while trying to light this that an explosion resulted.

Mrs. Olin's clothing was immediately in flames and so was the carriage holding the baby. A neighbor, rushing in a moment after the explosion had occurred, snatched the baby from out of its plentitude of covering and this spared the infant the slightest injury.

Mrs. Olin, however, was badly burned about the face, arms and shoulders. The injury to her left arm is particularly severe, and the pain she has been compelled to suffer has been something awful.

Mrs. Peterson left for Franklin immediately upon hearing the sad news, and a trained nurse accompanied her. The latest information received was that the patient was resting easily.

HOW THE GOVERNOR BEAT DOWLING

Vanquished Editor Makes Public a Chapter of Unwritten History.

At the time the Minnesota building at the World's Fair in Chicago was dedicated, the newspaper men played an important part and not the least important of the actors was John A. Johnson, editor of the St. Peter Herald, now governor of Minnesota.

Johnson delivered the dedicatory address and it was one that will long stand to his credit as an example of Johnsonian diction and oratory, but it seems now that his achievement on that occasion was by no means his greatest while in Chicago. Judge from the following:

"After the official exercises," says Mike Dowling, the debonair editor and politician from Renville county, "a crowd of the Minnesota pencil pushers was taking in the attractions of the fair in a body. We all swarmed into the place called the Congress of Beauty of All Nations. Inside was a platform circling around the tent, on which were seated representative types of female beauty from many countries.

They were attractively attired and their country's flag stood near them.

"One of the boys conceived an idea, probably from the newspaper instinct, that a joint debate on the merit of two of these ideal types of beauty would prove interesting. The crowd agreed and when the proposition was presented to the concessionaire he saw the element of business in it in an instant. He suggested that the event be advertised to take place on the following day at a certain hour.

"Well, it was decided that Johnson should present the virtues of the American girl and I should extoll the beauties of the Irish girl. It is needless to say that the proprietor of the place had been busy with printers' ink and the debate was largely attended. I made the opening argument on behalf of the black-haired beauty from the Emerald Isle and my effort was well received, but when Johnson so gracefully and impressively arose beside his American subject, who was in reality beautiful of face and figure, he was given an ovation. I knew he had not given his task much preparation and thought, but these things are seemingly not essential with Johnson as an orator. The eloquence and earnestness of his speech brought rounds of applause and in the climax when Johnson, tall, dignified, forceful, leveled his long arms dramatically in the direction of the handsome and blushing young woman who sat draped in old glory, to illustrate some point in his argument, the audience went wild with enthusiasm. The applause was deafening. He kept his listeners alternating between tears and laughter. When he had finished there was a grand rush of people to the platform to congratulate him.

"When one reflects that the whole affair was arranged as a mere diversion or bit of entertainment more for the amusement of the boys of the press than anybody else, it makes the effort of this man, whose eloquence afterward helped to win for him the highest office in the gift of his state, all the more wonderful.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

People go to the theatre to be entertained. Gloomy plays, except in rare instances, are not favorably received. Audiences, especially women, like to have their feelings wrought upon to a certain extent; they even enjoy an opportunity to shed a few tears. But they also like to have the tears followed by laughter, they want the sun to come out between the clouds. Since "East Lynne," there has probably not been a play produced which draws women to witness it in such crowds as does Lottie Blair Parker's drama of love among the blossoms "Under Southern Skies." There is something about the beautiful stage settings, youthful, summery dresses, crowds of gay young folks, Hallowe'en tricks, Jack-o-lantern dance and touching love scenes that enchant the young, who are in the hay-day of their own pleasures, and fascinate their elders by carrying them back to their own merry days—sometimes they have been forgotten until suddenly brought to vivid remembrance by the life-like scenes of "Under Southern Skies." All women love the play, and the men enjoy it, so it is not strange that it is now in its seventh season, playing to larger audiences than ever before, the capacity of the theatre being tested in every city fortunate enough to secure this remarkably successful drama. "Under Southern Skies" is to be given with the original New York production at the Turner Theatre on Friday evening, October 25th, and the indications are that it will be witnessed by a large and fashionable audience.

Judging from inquiries already received from outside towns Sousa and his band on the occasion of their New Ulm visit will be greeted by one of the largest audiences that ever crowded into the Turner Theatre.

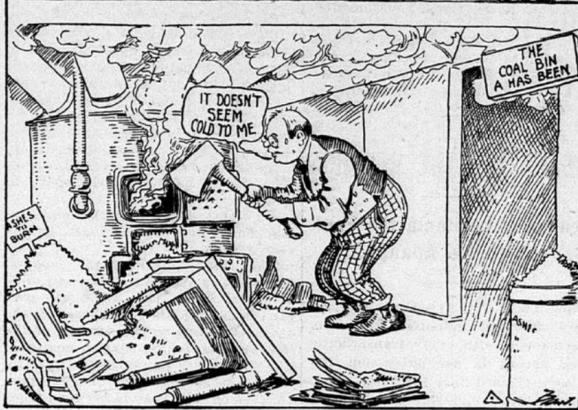
"The Man of the Hour" is an exceptional performance. New Ulmites who have been fortunate enough to see it pronounce it the greatest hit in years.

A new Sousa march, "Powhatan's Daughter," will be one of the program novelties in all concerts given by the Sousa band on its present grand trans-continental tour.

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriage of Ben Reinhart and Miss Angela Huelskamp, both of West Newton.

On Monday Jos. Gleisner and Miss Rosa Franta were united in marriage at the St. George Catholic church. The young couple will make their home on the Nic Franta farm near Wabasso.

THE FIRE WORSHIPERS.



Have you your furnace fire started yet?
—Bartholomew in Minneapolis Journal.

DAVIS' BILL COMES TO THE FRONT

President Gives New Impetus to St. Peter Man's Measure.

President Roosevelt's unqualified endorsement of the proposition to establish and maintain agricultural schools in every community where farming is the principal avocation brings forward a revival of the bill introduced at the last session of congress by Congressman C. R. Davis of St. Peter.

Mr. Davis' bill was ridiculed at first and he could hardly get consideration at the last session. It was during a discussion of the agricultural appropriation bill on the senate amendment secured by Senator Knute Nelson that Mr. Davis brought forth his bill. Chairman Tawney of the appropriations committee took the position that it is not the business of the federal government to maintain these agricultural colleges. The same view is held by Gov. Johnson and it has been said that the present chief executive of the state is willing to make that point an issue in a congressional campaign in the Third district against Mr. Davis.

Since President Roosevelt, addressing the Iowa boys and girls, advised them to make farm life attractive, instructive and profitable and alluded directly to the bill introduced by a Minnesota member to establish farm schools, it is certain that the Davis bill will take on great popularity and prestige.

The title of Mr. Davis' proposed measure is "A bill to provide an annual federal appropriation for industrial education in agricultural schools and city high schools and for branch agricultural stations and regulating the expenditure thereof."

Section one provides that there shall be appropriated out of the money in the treasury a sum equal to ten cents

per capita of the population of each state and territory of the United States as shown by the last preceding census, such appropriation to be used for the instruction in agricultural studies, mechanic arts and home economics.

Section two provides for branch government agricultural experiment stations and makes a direct appropriation of \$2,500 annually for agricultural experiment stations which have been or may be established by any state or territory, but the appropriation shall not be paid over until the state by legislative enactment has made ample appropriations for maintaining the buildings and lands connected with these agricultural experiment stations.

In advocating his bill Mr. Davis said that it was designed to secure simple justice and fair dealing with workers and home builders of the nation. He contended that we have, as a country, confined our education to the technical and professional classes. This bill, he asserted was in behalf of the masses and entirely practical.

BREWING PLANT TO BE ENLARGED

New Storage House Among the Improvements Contemplated.

Owing to a rapidly increasing demand for the product of the Hauenstein Brewing Company, that institution has found it necessary to enlarge its plant.

Within a week work will commence on an addition to the bottling house, which, it is expected, will double the capacity.

Material will also be placed on the ground this fall for early spring work on a storage cellar which will cost in the neighborhood of \$30,000. This cellar will be equipped with the most up-to-date steel tanks and with every other convenience known to modern brewing.

IT WAS TO MAKE YOU LAUGH

New Ulmites Visit Faribault Shoe Plant and Receive Proposition.

Inducements Asked Were of the Kind that Stagger.

Sixty Thousand Dollars Wouldn't Cover All that was Included in the Bonus.

Fourteen prominent citizens of New Ulm, including the members of the city council, went to Faribault Wednesday.

They went there to see what kind of an institution was that of the Shaft-Pierce Shoe Company; also to ascertain what inducements were necessary in order to get the company to establish a similar plant in New Ulm.

They returned thoroughly satisfied as to the plant and just as thoroughly dissatisfied with the demands made upon them by Mr. Shaft.

In short, here is what the company expected: A site, covering almost a block; a building costing according to estimates, \$22,500; a cash bonus of \$10,000 to be paid in five yearly installments; stock subscriptions to the amount of \$25,000; light and water at actual cost; free rent for a term of five years.

In return they guaranteed to employ at least a hundred hands.

The New Ulm men said nothing, but they thought a great deal. They paid their own expenses and took the first train for home. Easy marks they may have been sized up to be, but the Faribault promoters have another guess coming.

TAX SCHOOLS FOR EVERY COUNTY

State Tax Commission Will Prepare in this Way for Next Year's Assessments.

Members of the state tax commission in order to prepare the local assessors for next year's work are arranging to hold meetings in every county in the state.

County auditors will be enlisted to get all local assessors to attend these schools of instruction and members of the commission will go out singly in March and April in order to cover the state thoroughly.

At the meetings they will explain their advanced methods, will inquire into local conditions and will be prepared to answer questions.

By thus getting into personal touch with the local officers and with the facts relating to property in each county they will be better prepared to review the assessments when made.

Full returns as to real estate assessments are being tabulated, with the facts as to actual sales in each county. From this the commission will get at the rate which assessments bear to actual value in the different portions of the state. Next year a new assessment of real estate is to be made and the commission will try to get it equalized over the state. The figures now on hand indicate that in some places real estate is assessed for over 70 per cent of its actual selling value, while in others the assessed valuation ratio is not more than 25 or 30 per cent.

WATTERSON TIRES OF POLITICS

Famous Kentucky Editor Says He has had Enough.

"The prosperity of the United States is not and never again can be dependent on the policy of any man or set of men; neither does it depend on politicians or political parties. The sooner we all realize that fact the better off we will be."

So said the eminent Louisville journalist in New York the other day.

"I have attended my last state and national convention," he declared. "When I suggested some time ago John Johnson of Minnesota as an ideal candidate for all left of the once proud democratic party, I meant well.

"The criticism that followed was in many instances unkind and untruthful. So it has been ever since I took occasion to tell Bryan the truth and show him he and his friends were strangling to death all that remained of the old-time democratic party."

The state board of equalization has decided to leave the assessment of the iron mine properties in the northern part of the state at \$191,000,000. This is the figure fixed by the state tax commission and is approximately \$125,000,000 in excess of the assessment returned by the state board a year ago.

John Reinhart has rented his West Newton farm to Jos. Kleisner.

Robert Lillie is serving on the petty jury in the United States court at Mankato this week.

The Second Regiment band will give an invitation Hallowe'en ball at the Opera House on the evening of October 31st.

Nic Franta has rented his farm in West Newton to Anton Franta of Wabasso. The former will in the future reside in New Ulm.

Rev. J. M. Nervig will be installed as the new pastor of the Norwegian Lutheran churches of Linden and Lake Hanska on November 3rd.

The affairs of the Mankato Malting Company have been placed in the hands of a receiver. Oscar Bierbauer, the president, is still missing.

Wm. H. Gieseke, the liveryman made a trade with J. H. Macbeth of Mankato yesterday whereby he exchanges his automobile for a rubber-tired hack.

Our West Newton correspondent reports the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. John Stippel on Thursday and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Nick Jutz on Saturday.

The following are the new officers of the Hanska Fire Department: Chief, F. C. Jensen; president, E. G. Hage; chief of hook and ladder company, G. F. Eggenesperger.

The body of Aug. Dahlmann, who at one time lived in New Ulm, was found in the Minnesota river between Courtland and Nicollet last Sunday. He lived in Nicollet township where he worked with a threshing crew, and on Friday left his home to go fishing. He was subject to epileptic attacks and it is thought that during one of these he fell into the river and was drowned. He leaves a wife and a small child in almost destitute circumstances.

Mrs. William Rook, aged forty-six years, died at her home in this city Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Rook's maiden name was Wittmann and her place of birth was Pomerania, Germany. In 1881 she was married there to William Rook and immediately thereafter came with him to America. For a few years they resided on a farm, but for twenty years past their home has been in New Ulm. Since May she has been suffering intensely from a cancerous growth on the face and it was this dreadful disease that caused her death. She leaves a husband, three sons and a daughter.

ATTORNEY GENERAL WILL APPEAL

Lochren Injunction Order to be Tried Out in Circuit Court.

Attorney General Young has decided to appeal to the United States Circuit court from the Lochren order restraining enforcement of the state's commodity rates on railroad traffic.

Mr. Young decided on this step Saturday and his associate attorneys have already begun the preparation of the necessary papers. The appeal on the injunction order, by being taken up at this time, can get a place on the December calendar for hearing in St. Paul. Mr. Young is of the opinion that by that time the United States supreme court at Washington will have fully disposed of the question of jurisdiction which the appeal of the injunction order involves, but the step is to be taken to have something to fall back on in event that some cog slips in the effort to get the desired ruling through the contempt proceedings.

Decision of the United States circuit court in the matter of the injunction order would, of course, not be final, and which every way it is decided, would be taken by the defeated party to the court of last resort at Washington, if the point involved is not previously ruled upon.

GREAT HARVEST CLASS ADOPTION

Modern Woodmen Are Preparing For a Busy Time in Dec.

District Deputy Space of St. Paul was in the city Monday evening and started the local Woodmen camp on the road to fine doings about six weeks hence.

It is planned at that time to adopt a class of a hundred or more candidates and in order to make the number as large as possible the camp hustlers have been divided into two squads with Edgar Small at the head of one and Hubert Berg leading the other. The rivalry thus engendered is expected to tell materially in the results.

The initiation of the big class will take place shortly before Christmas.

AS SEEN BY JAPAN.



Our secretary of war is looked upon as a dove of peace by Japan.
—Bartholomew in Minneapolis Journal.