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The Twin Cities and Morality.

Many people residing in the rural district have heretofore paid little or no attention to the licentious immorality which holds Minnesota's Twin Cities—Minneapolis and St. Paul—in its vice-like grip, nor have the voters of the state, as a general rule, felt any sympathy of organized labor in its Herculean attempts to cleanse the Twin Cities of their leprous condition. The reason for this apparent lassitude is probably to be found in the fact that the residents of the rural districts have heretofore considered themselves and their loved ones immune from the temptations presented by the immorality of the large cities, as many people never, or very seldom visit the big centers of population.

Within the last few weeks, however, something has occurred that will bring home to every father and every mother in the state the imminent necessity of radical reforms in the manipulations of the police departments of St. Paul and Minneapolis. This something has brought out into the clear white light of day conditions that beggar description; conditions of depravity such as only large cities can boast of. It is the arrest of 18 high school students and 40 men and girl students of the University of Minnesota in a disorderly house in Minneapolis as the result of a raid by the police. Six of these students swore to the police that they were less than 18 years of age. Two women, who were also caught in the raid, begged to be let off, one of them saying she had twin babies to look after.

How many of the young people who became entangled in the dragnet of the Minneapolis police during this raid are sons and daughters of people residing outside the confines of Minneapolis and St. Paul? And did their parents ever suspect that their children would some day be arrested in a house of prostitution? These parents, if they belong to the class of people who exclaim: "I am not my brother's keeper; what do I care how rotten and immoral the big cities are!", will no doubt come to look at this

matter from a different viewpoint and will, henceforth take more interest in the ridding of the Twin Cities of the slimy politicians, who graft from the unfortunate inmates of public assignation houses.

On the other hand, the management of the State University will have a little explaining to do. It will have to give assurances of better moral conduct among the students, if it hopes to continue to find recognition among the people of the rural districts of the state.

Now, honestly, what would you rather have: a rotten municipal government like that which has Minneapolis (and St. Paul also) in its thralls, or a clean government controlled by the workmen, from whose families a great majority of the "white slaves" are seduced? The present administrations of Minneapolis and St. Paul would make the most ardent "free lover" bow his

Every man, woman and child in the United States gave to the Allies in cold cash or credit the sum of \$88.75, and as things stand today, every man, woman and child in this country is in debt \$245 as a result of the World war. England's per capita war debt is over \$700. And every day it is becoming clearer that the international strife was waged principally to satisfy the ravenous greed of the international profiteers. Is it any wonder that the common people are tiring of the autocratic rule of the moneyed interests?

Voice of Jacob—Hands of Esau.

Jacob A. O. Preus today stands as the choice of the steel trust for governor, running on a platform that declares for a "fair and equitable" tonnage tax on iron ore. Steel trust representatives in the elimination convention at St. Paul May 8 put up only a perfunctory fight against the tonnage tax plank. They knew who their candidate for governor would be and they proceeded to nominate him (every steel trust county casting a solid vote for Preus). The public can decide for itself how much the platform promise of a "fair and equitable" tonnage tax will mean.

Jacob A. O. Preus, running for governor on a tonnage tax platform but owing his endorsement to the steel trust, reminds us of another Jacob, one of biblical fame, one who did not have quite so many initials in his name as the present state auditor of Minnesota, but possessed many other points of similarity.

The Jacob of the Bible and his twin brother Esau were the sons of Isaac, born in his old age. From their birth the twins were strikingly different. "Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field; Jacob was a quiet man, dwelling

in tents," the Bible tells us. While Esau worked and hunted, he grew strong and tanned, and his limbs and chest were covered with a heavy growth of hair. Jacob, on the other hand, stayed close at home, keeping his hands smooth from callouses, and became quite a favorite with the women, although his father had little use for him. If Jacob had been alive today he probably would have been one of the bunch hanging around in front of the drug store on Main street, smoking cigarettes and making remarks to all the girls who passed by, while Esau would be working on the farm.

Jacob depended on trickery to "get ahead in the world." One day when he was about to sit down to his meal Esau came in from a hunt. He had been without food for days and was faint with hunger. He asked his brother for some food. Jacob saw a chance to "get ahead in the world." He knew that he and Esau would inherit equally from their father, Isaac, when he should die. The Bible tells the story of what happened:

"And Jacob said, 'Sell me first thy birthright.' And Esau said: 'Behold, I am about to die, and what profit shall the birthright do to me?'"

And so Jacob got his brother's inheritance.

Isaac, their father, grew older and lost his sight and was about to die. One day he called his favorite, Esau, and asked him to get him some venison. But when Esau left, Jacob, who was told that his brother might win his father's favor again, went and killed a young kid and had its meat prepared with spices so that it could not be told from venison. He put on Esau's clothing and, to hide his soft, smooth hands, covered their backs with the skin of the kid he had killed. Then he brought the meat to his blind father, who asked: "Who art thou?" And Jacob answered, bold as brass: "I am Esau, thy first born. I have done as thou badest me; arise, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me."

"And Isaac said unto his son: 'How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son?' And he said: Because Jehovah, thy God, sent me with good speed." And Isaac said unto Jacob: "Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not." And Jacob went near unto Isaac, his father, and he felt him, and said: "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands, so he blessed him."

Jacob, of thousands of years ago, was able to impose upon his blind father and cheat his brother.

But Jacob of today, can not impose upon the people of Minnesota, for the people of Minnesota are not blind.

A declaration for a "fair and equitable tonnage tax" is like the kid's hair that Jacob of old put upon the backs of his hands. It will do to fool a blind man—but no one else.—Minnesota Leader.

In an advertisement printed in practically all of the country papers of the state recently, the Minnesota Fair Tax Association, as an argument against a tonnage tax, makes the statement that Minnesota had a statute of this nature from 1881 to 1895. To be sure, we did have a tonnage tax of a few cents a ton at that time, but this law exempted the owners of the iron mines in the state from all taxes for township, village, city, county, school or road purposes, as well as for public works of any kind. In view of this fact, it is not at all surprising that the mine owners fought desperately against the repeal of this inadequate tonnage tax law, but its repeal was accomplished in spite of their frantic efforts to retain it on the statute books. Half truths are, sometimes, more despicable than a downright lie and often do a great deal more harm than a direct untruth. There is one consolation, though, namely, that if the Progressive Republican ticket, as endorsed by the Nonpartisan League and organized labor of the state, is successful this year, Minnesota will be assured a real tonnage tax law when the Legislature meets next winter.

The exodus of royalty-fawning so-called Americans to London is exceptionally great at this time, according to a slush article sent to a large American newspaper by its London correspondent, telling of a few thousand "ambitious" Americans sojourning in the British capital in the hope of "being presented at court." The correspondent even goes so far as to state that "some of the fond mothers are so hopeful as to think they might match their daughters with King George's eldest son, the Prince of Wales, who is expected back from Australia late in the summer." And in the meantime, the big American profiteers are given an opportunity to spend their ill-gotten gains in Europe, kowtowing to the royal puppets.

According to a press dispatch from Chicago, the big packing house firm of Libby, McNeill & Libby reports a profit of \$4,257,669 for the year ending May 1, 1920. After paying dividends of \$1,280,000 and reserving \$1,550,000 for 1919 taxes, \$1,427,669 was added to the surplus fund, increasing its total to \$10,753,811, according to the company's report, which, however, fails to record the amount of excess profits. At any rate, no one can vouchsafe the statement that the packers are losing money on their investments.

ATTEND SKAT TOURNAMENT.

About 20 New Ulm skat onkels went to Young America Sunday to attend the annual spring skat tournament of the state league. They were unable this year however, to hitch to Fortuna's wagon and bring a number of prizes home as they did last year when the tournament was held in St. Paul. They all seemed to be out of luck, especially "Bill" Pfeffler who came out with a score of minus 173 net points.

Players were there from all parts of the state, the total attendance numbering about 250 persons.

RECEIVE DIPLOMAS.

Thirty-seven pupils of the local Catholic parochial school were graduated this year. The diplomas were presented to the graduates last Friday, May 28, the last day of school. The names of the graduates were published in a recent issue of the Review.

Frank Lamecker, Jr., is back at his chair in the John A. Wiedl barber shop on South Minnesota street since Monday morning of this week, having fully recovered from the effects of an operation for appendicitis, which he underwent at the Loretto hospital here some weeks ago.

The Sleepy Eye Heating Company is discussing the advisability of extending the central heating system there. Owing to the fact that the present plant is too small to accommodate a number of prospective heat customers, it is proposed to enlarge the boiler capacity at the municipal light and water works station. For the purpose of further discussing this vital matter, a meeting of the stockholders of the heating company, the members of the board of education and citizens generally is to be held Saturday evening of this week. If the plant is enlarged sufficiently, it is possible that the Sleepy Eye public school building will be connected up with the central heating system.

First Park Concert

Sunday, June 6

- 1 March: "Our America," (Oh, America we love you so) J. W. Keck
 - 2 Selection: "Songs of the American Nation" Lampe
 - 3 Tempo de Marcia: "Yankee Patrol" J. Meacham
 - 4 Caprice: "The Garden of Love" Ch. Sanglear
 - 5 Valse di Concert: "Cupid's Bouquet" Sanglear
 - 6 March: "The Navy Forever" J. M. Maurice
- Intermission.
- 7 A Slippery Tune: "Miss Trombonism" N. Davis
(The Grand Daughter of "Oh Slip it Man and Daughter" from Trombonology).
 - 8 Overture: "Price Royal" Geo. Barnard
 - 9 Echo from the East: "Dardanella" Barnard and J. S. Black
 - 10 Indian Characteristic: "Passing of the Red Man" K. L. King
 - 11 March: "Troopers of America" E. Freiberger
 - 12 Star Spangled Banner.

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Gauze Wool, Hatch One-Button Union Suits, \$4.00 values, at \$2.89

65c Summer Socks, all colors, Black, Cordovan, Tan, Palm Beach, Green, Lavender and Gray, at 39c

\$1.25 Silk Sock values, all colors, at 83c

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50c values in Wash Ties, at 33c

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