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## FATALLY WOUNDED, FINNISH HUNTER DRAGS HIMSELF MILE THROUGH WOODS TO RAILROAD

Falls Prostrate Across Rails and Is Picked Up By Crew of Logging Train.

Charge from Heavy Shotgun Accidentally Discharged Entered Thigh

Rushed to Virginia Where Death Occurred at Local Hospital Tuesday.

Fatally wounded when a charge from a shotgun with which he was hunting rabbits, and which was accidentally discharged while he was going over rough ground, entered his right thigh, Charles Kaileo, a Finlander about 25 years old, Tuesday morning dragged himself a distance of a quarter of a mile through heavy underbrush and boggy ground to the right-of-way of the Canadian Northern railway. Through a barbed wire fence and up a steep embankment he painfully made his way to the railroad tracks where he fell unconscious across the rails. In this position he was picked up some hours later unconscious and weak from loss of blood, by the crew of a logging train and brought to Virginia, where he was taken to a local hospital. His death occurred Tuesday night.

Kaileo rallied sufficiently at the hospital to tell the attending physician how the accident had happened to him. He said he knew the logging train was due in a short time and that when he threw himself across the rail he was consoled by the fact that if the engineer did not see him in time to control the train he would at least be run over and there would come a merciful end to the terrible suffering he had endured.

The charge from the shotgun took effect in his right thigh in such a manner that his right leg was rendered totally useless. Binding the wound as best he could Kaileo began his painful trip to the railroad track. His progress was necessarily slow and the hemorrhage from his wound steadily sapped his strength, but by sheer force of will he kept himself conscious and struggling until he reached the track.

Kaileo was a single man and had no relatives in this section. The body was prepared for burial at Gillespie's undertaking parlors and funeral services were held yesterday with interment at Greenwood.

## WILL TRY TO GET TOGETHER

Commercial Club Will Have Meeting at City Hall Week from Tuesday Night.

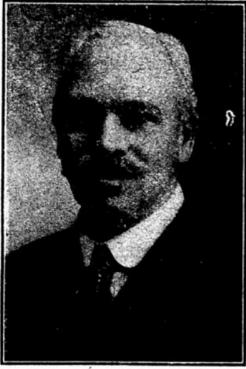
Secretary H. S. Gillespie of the Commercial club, has called a meeting of the club for Thursday evening, February 12 at the council chamber in the city hall at which a number of important matters are to come up for consideration and when also will take place the annual election of officers.

A special effort will be made to get out the membership of the club and take steps looking to its reorganization and placing on a more substantial basis than at present. Cards will be sent to every member and a special telephone invitation will be extended to Virginia business men on the evening of the meeting with the purpose in view of getting out a big meeting and arousing new interest.

President Archer will not be a candidate for re-election and Al G. Flourney is being discussed as a prospective candidate for the place. Whether or not Mr. Flourney will accept the honor cannot be learned. An important feature of the meeting will be the discussion of plans for a big get-together banquet to be held at the Finnish opera house some time within the next few weeks.

Officers of the club have made no attempt to get a meeting for some time past owing to the interest in the election campaign and because it was felt that more could be accomplished after the election was over.

## SERVES NOTICE FOR RETRACTION



A. C. OSBORN.

A. C. Osborn, one of Virginia's pioneer residents and a candidate for city treasurer at Tuesday's election has served notice on the members of the campaign committee of the Progressive league for a retraction of certain statements made regarding his record while a member of the city council, published in a recent issue of its campaign newspaper.

"Every one of these charges can be answered by a single word and that word is 'lie' declared Mr. Osborn Monday. Notices for retraction, the first step in a suit for damages and libel were served on Mayor Murphy, President Hughes and Secretary Whiting of the Progressive league and upon Editor Koen of the league's newspaper Monday. The statement most objected to is substantially that Mr. Osborn was a member of the council and permitted \$10,000 to be 'filched' from the city treasury. Other statements are held to be equally libelous. Mr. Osborn continues his campaign for election to the city treasury with unabated vigor and his friends are confident he will be elected next Tuesday.

## STATE LANDS TO BE CONDEMNED

Proceedings to Acquire Tract for Virginia Schools Begin in Duluth February 14.

The initial proceedings in the legal course necessary to acquire approximately 80 acres of land in the vicinity of the car barns of the Mesaba Electric railway, by the school district of Virginia to be used for school farm purposes, will be taken before one of the judges of the district court at Duluth February 14, when petitions will be presented asking for the appointment of appraisers to appraise the value of the land proposed to be condemned. R. C. Pickering will represent the independent school district of Virginia. It is not anticipated that the attorney general's office will interpose further objection to the condemnation proceedings, although it was fought by Assistant Attorney General Hilton when the petition for the appointment of appraisers first came on for hearing on the ground that a school district could not condemn state land and carried to the supreme court where a decision was rendered a short time ago upholding the school district's side of the contention. Mr. Hilton said at that time that he might desire to reargue the matter before the supreme court, but the time for the giving of the usual notice has expired and it is not anticipated that further action will be taken.

The tract proposed to be condemned will give the Virginia school district one of the finest experiment farms in the state and a course in agriculture will probably be added to the curriculum of the city schools next year.

## CHILD IS VICTIM OF MALNUTRITION

Irma Hammond, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orin Hammond of Ash Lake, died at the home of her parents Monday of this week of malnutrition after an illness of a short time from a complication of diseases. The body was brought to this city Tuesday and funeral services were held from the chapel at Gillespie's undertaking parlors with interment at Greenwood. Orin Hammond is section foreman for the Duluth, Winnipeg & Pacific at Ash Lake.

## PUPILS WHO FAIL IN EXAMS CLASSIFIED AS EITHER LAZY FOOLISH OR NOT PREPARED

Dr. Colgrove Addresses Students Body of High School Tuesday.

Assembly Marks Close of First Semester of the School Year.

Pupils Who Have an Average of 90 Need Not Take Examinations.

In a frank address to the student body of the Virginia high school in assembly at the Roosevelt auditorium Tuesday afternoon, which marked the closing of the first semester of the school year Dr. Colgrove, superintendent classified pupils who failed to pass the semester end examinations as either foolish, unprepared or lazy. He said that the parents of pupils that were too lazy to work would be asked to take their children out of school and set them to work at some useful occupation. The doctor also indicated that all students that received a mark of 90 or more on all reports would not be required to take examinations at the end of the second semester.

The doctor said the meeting was for the purpose of getting the teachers and students together for the purpose of getting better acquainted and to foster in the teaching staff and the student body an ambition to make the Virginia high school the very best in the state of Minnesota. He said he considered high school students in their teens as young men and women not children. He asked the student body to extend to the teachers due courtesy and touched on several incidents where the conduct of high school students to some of their guests at a recent basketball game might be considered incourteous. He said he be-

lieved in some play along with the work of the high school, and complimented the basketball team.

A meeting of the students followed the assembly to practice school rooters yells for the basketball games. A meeting of the teachers was also held at which the semester work was reviewed and the matter of attending the fourteenth annual meeting of the Northeastern Minnesota Educational association at Duluth, was discussed and finally submitted to an individual report of the teachers which is to be made tomorrow. In the event that a majority express a desire to attend the schools will be closed to grant them the privilege on Friday, February 13.

## OLIVER TO OPEN TWO NEW MINES

Prindle to Be Stripped and Shaft to Be Sunk at Richelieu Near Kinney.

Two new mines are to be opened on the eastern end of the Mesaba range by the Oliver Iron Mining company within a short time. The development of the Prindle in Section No. 36 near the Alpena will probably begin in about a month. It will be operated as an open pit and steamshovels will start removing the overburden there soon. Information as to the depth and extent of the overburden is not available.

The Richelieu will be worked as an underground and its development will begin with the sinking of a shaft within a short time. It is located at the Yates location near Kinney and the ore body is said to be of considerable extent. Both mines will give employment to big forces of men as soon as the weather moderates in the spring and development work will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

## CHANGE IN A PIONEER FIRM

M. E. Fanning to Retire From House of Pratt & Fanning Grocers.



M. E. FANNING.

A business change announced this week in which there will be general interest in Virginia and over the range is the retirement of M. E. Fanning, one of Virginia's oldest and best respected business men from the firm of Pratt & Fanning, grocers. W. B. Pratt, his business associate for more than 21 years will remain identified with the business but will take no active part in it after February 16, while the new men on the job will be P. C. Gates and Harry Schipper. Both are well known range traveling salesmen, the former with Hormel & Co., packers, and the latter the range representative of the Elliott Packing company. Both Mr. Gates and Mr. Schipper have had their headquarters in Virginia for some time and are wide awake, aggressive young business men, who are certain of a fine future here.

Many old friends of both the Messrs. Pratt and Fanning will learn with a tinge of regret of their retirement from active business in Virginia. There present house is doing a business in the aggregate of almost \$100,000 a year and has grown from small beginnings. Mr. Pratt opened one of the first stores in Virginia in December of 1892. It was located in a frame building on the corner of Chestnut street and Cleveland avenue, where the saloon building now occupied by Lindsey stands. Clothing and dry goods were carried in the first stock. Mr. Fanning was interested in the business from the first, but did not come here until some time after it was started by Mr. Pratt. The firm lost all in the fire of 1900 and were again completely wiped out of business in 1903. Both Mr. Pratt and Mr. Fanning have been hard workers. Their fine business of today is a tribute to their integrity and tireless energy and the name of Pratt & Fanning has long stood for business integrity and the best in groceries in Virginia. Both Mr. Pratt and Mr. Fanning have been closely identified with the city's growth and progress. Each is possessed of fine public spirit and each has a wide circle of friends not only in this city but over the range. Before engaging in business here they conducted a store at the now defunct town of Merritt.

"If Mr. Pratt and I were a few years younger," said Mr. Fanning yesterday, "we would not think of retiring from business in Virginia. However, we both feel like laying aside business cares and worries and enjoying a rest. Mr. Pratt will be identified with the business, but not actively. My connection will be severed with it February 16. I am going to continue to make my home in Virginia and I am going to take things easy for a time at least and shall probably never engage in business here again."

## SMALL ATTENDANCE AT LYCEUM COURSE LECTURE

Edwin Ambross Ott of the Ridpath Lyceum bureau in a lecture entitled "Do Our Dreams Come True," drew a small audience at the Roosevelt auditorium Saturday night and gave one of the most interesting lectures of the present lyceum course. The attendance from Mountain Iron almost rivalled that from Virginia. All who attended the lecture the theme of which was the supremacy of mental over material accomplishment were well entertained and found it highly instructive.

## BASKETBALL AT HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

The Virginia and Aurora high school basketball teams meet at the Technical gymnasium this evening in what promises to be one of the most interesting games of the winter schedules. The visitors have one of the strongest five on the range. Much enthusiasm has been aroused in the students body over tonight's game and Virginia yells will be much in evidence. Quite a large delegation of rooters is expected to accompany the visitors.

## ANTLERS FIRMLY FIXED ON THREE BY THE ELKS

Virginia Lodge No. 1003 firmly fixed the antlers on a class of three at Elks hall last night. The fawns who furnished the sport of the evening were Charles Rossiter, H. J. Nathanson and O. N. Berg. Virginia lodge is having a steady growth and is now the banner organization of the range and northern Minnesota in point of membership. Editor Peter Schefer of the Ely Miner, is a candidate for initiation at the next meeting of the Elks. The lodge decided not to take on the proposition of the Duluth lodge to stage the comic opera "The Mikado" here February 13. It will be given at the Lyceum by Duluth Elks February 11 and 12 with an all home talent cast.

## FINNISH MONTE CARLO ON MESABA AVENUE IS RAIDED BY POLICE WEDNESDAY NIGHT

### HEADS OF BEAR FAMILY ARE DEAD

Olcott Park Visitors Will Miss "Max" and "Jonnie" From the Black Bear Cage.

"Max" and "Jonnie," heads of the black bear family in the Olcott park are dead and hundreds of Virginia park visitors who know them well will be correspondingly sorry. "Max" was the biggest of the animals in the bear den and with Virginia boys and girls especially he had an intimate acquaintance. With the youngsters he was a prime favorite and his droll antics when there were peanuts or candy in sight was a genuine joy to the youngsters.

Postmaster Fleming, who has been keeping a watchful eye on the animals at the park for the park board is at a loss to account for the death of the bears. He believes, however, that there should be a reconstruction of the den at the park that will bring it nearer to the nature thing than it is at present. Other bears have died in confinement there, while in most of the parks of the country black bears live to a ripe old age in confinement. The two dead bears were the biggest at Olcott park and both were especially fine specimens.

### CUTS THROAT AND WRISTS; MAY LIVE

John Harri lies at the McIntyre hospital in a critical condition as the result of self-inflicted wounds in an attempt to commit suicide. Harri is a Finlander about 35 years old. Shortly after his arrival at the boarding house from downtown Wednesday night the attempt to take his life was made.

He was discovered by some of his fellow boarders and the police department was notified. The emergency patrol was sent out and the man hurried to the hospital. He had slashed his throat and cut both of his wrists badly. Friends believe he was suffering from an attack of delirium tremens.

At the hospital it is stated that there are grave doubts as to his recovery, the wounds being very serious.

## WORKING BIG CREW IN WOODS

Virginia & Rainy Lake Company Has Twelve Camps in and Around Cussons Country

Twelve camps employing approximately 2,000 men constitute the winter logging crews of the Virginia & Rainy Lake company in the vicinity of Cussons. Several camps are working with sleigh hauls and are landing logs on the north end of Kabteogema lake. They will be towed to Ash river and hoisted there in the spring. One of the camps is 30 miles remote from a railroad and supplies are transported for the entire distance.

There has been a considerable picking up in the movement of forest products on the Canadian Northern railroad this week. Logs, mining timber pulpwood and ties are being loaded at all the stations on its line from Ellsworth on the south to Ray on the north. Contractors are making redoubled efforts to get out their cuts since the coming of snow and colder weather and in most of the camps their hauling capacity has been doubled. Three new freight crews went in service on the Duluth, Winnipeg & Pacific this week as the result of the increased forest products business and two engines have been added to the motive power equipment of the Virginia and Silver Lake divisions.

## FATHER OF GRENDE BROS. DEAD IN NORWAY

Word has been received from Norway that Magnus Pedersen Grende from the district of Aasen, near the City of Trondhjem, departed this life on the 27th day of December, last. The departed is the father of Peter Grende, Ole Grende and John Grende, all residents of this city. The mother died in 1909, and besides the children mentioned there are two younger in Norway, a girl named Borghild, aged 14 and a boy, Bjorne, aged 16. The deceased was 63 years old at the time of his death, and the sad news came unexpectedly, as he had always enjoyed good health and only lately was in communication with his children here.

Five Arrested at Play Are Taken to Headquarters and Pay Fines.

Shelks of Silver Hastily Gathered in When Officers Show Up.

"Two Pair Pete" Rudely Surprised While Dealing Stud Poker.

In a raid on the pool hall of August Walberg, 110 Mesaba avenue at 9:30 Wednesday night Chief of Police Richard Rice and Patrolmen Larson and Crossland surprised "Two Pair Pete," a character well known about the city while dealing a little game of stud poker and that worthy with three patrons and August Walberg proprietor, were arrested and taken to the police station. All five pleaded guilty to charges of gambling before Judge Carey Thursday and are paid fines.

Things were moving along very nicely at the Walberg pool hall when the police entered Wednesday evening.

"Now, sir there's an ace, there's a ten, there's a Jack.

"Your high with the ace, sir, the ace is high.

"The ace bets one, boys, one is bet. "Gentleman, this is stud poker, one dollar a stack. These gentlemen bar nobody."

This was the monotonous drone of "Two Pair Pete" dealing the game over an improvised layout, when the officers put in an appearance. There was money on the table and when the players realized that the officers were upon them there was a hasty scramble to get the money down.

At the station the players gave the names of Gus Hill, Charley Hill, Mike Hill and August Randa. Walberg was not at play when the police entered, but it is alleged that he was "looking out" the game.

Complaints that stud poker and "twenty-one" were being dealt at the Walberg pool hall have been coming to the police frequently of late and resulted in the raid.

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## CARLOAD OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY HOGS SOLD HERE

F. L. Schoening of the Mesaba Meat Market this week purchased a carload of fat hogs from a farmer in the Cook country. Mr. Schoening also purchased a car of hogs in that section last November. The hogs brought top market prices and are among the choicest ever brought to Virginia, while the consignment this week is the largest ever brought to Virginia from the local market. Mr. Schoening reports that the farmers in the Cook country are raising a good many hogs that the quality is choice and that local dealers are glad to pay top prices for them, while there is always a ready market in Virginia for the supply at present available.