NEWS OF STATE TERSELY TOLD

Recent Happenings in Minnesota Given in Brief Items for Busy Readers.

ENTIRE FIELD COVERED

News of Events In Gopher State Gathered From Many Different Sources and Arranged In Crisp Readable Form.

Ruthton-Fire, caused by lightning, destroyed the big barn on the William Beck farm.

Winona-A band tournament, under the auspices of the Winona Municipal band, will be conducted here Aug. 14. Luverne-A special election has been called for Tuesday, Aug. 16, to vote on the issuance of bonds to aid in

the erection of an armory here. Windom-A special election will be conducted here Aug. 12, for voting on issuance of bonds for a new city hall, armory and for a permanent improve-

ment revolving fund. Bemidji-Police are endeavoring to find the assailant who wounded Otto Voss of this city, shot while walking along the Soo railroad tracks. The bullet penetrated his chest near the

heart. Minneapolis-Mrs. W. W. Sivright, wife of W. W. Sivright, of Hutchinson, president of the Minnesota State Fair, died at Rest Home, 600 West Thirtysecond street, from a paralytic stroke. Mrs. Sivright was one of the pioneers of Hutchinson.

St. Paul-The Minnesota supreme court adjourned for its summer recess, and will reconvene Sept. 12. There are 75 cases on the docket now for consideration after the recess, including forest fire claim cases totaling \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

Ely-Railroad presidents and the most humble switchmen, mining company presidents and ore diggers marched in a body with dinner pails \$35,000. on their arms at the seventh annual picnic of the Vermillion Range Old Settlers' association here.

Winona-A body believed to be that of Louis Strey, a road worker, who was drowned in the Mississippi river ablaze. Bystanders finally tore the north of this city when he attempted to swim in the waves of a passing steamer, was found by a fisherman two

Tye, the first to be threshed in this ing engine when the heat caused the vicinity, were marketed here. The piston to explode, a large portion of grain was grown by Ole Skaar, a far- the steel striking him in the head. mer living near here and is of good

road and Warehouse commission to war. August 23. The Minneapolis emertinued to the same date.

II in the interests of farm housewives three. Miss Lucy Cordinler of the University, jured. farm is expected to be the chief speaker at the meetings.

St. Paul-Explosion of a dynamite bomb thrown on the rear porch of the home of Paul C. Schoor, electrical of the house, shattered windows in Mr. Schoor and his eight-year-old son and rocked distant houses.

Duluth—The Duluth International at the local armory under the auspices local commercial club, it was an-

St. Paul-Arguments were heard by Judge Wilbur Booth in the United States district court in the case of the Omaha Structural Steel and Bridge company of Omaha against the City of Rochester for \$187,000, which the company claims is owed to it for extra work in the construction of a

hydro-electric municipal power plans. John Karsten, aged 28, a farmer of Nedine, near here, whose body was found by a searching party in the weeds on a neighboring farm after an all night hunt, probably will remain a mystery. A coroner's jury here returned a verdict that Karsten met death by a cause unknown, but decided that no evidence

of foul play was found. St. Paul-The Chippewa County State bank of Montevideo, has been closed by an order of S. B. Duea, state superintendent of banks, it was anmounced in the office of the state bank examiner. According to G. H. Siv right, deputy superintendent, the bank was closed because of a shortage in its reserve fund. It was not prepared to meet its withdrawals, the eximaner

reported. Fond du Lac, Wis.—A merger of the Wironsin State Cheese Producers federation and the Minnesota Cheese Producurs association was completed at a joint meeting of the boards of directors of the two organizations at Plymouth. Nearly half the output of the state of Minnesota, totaling 4,000,000 pounds, will be placed under control

of the new organization Greek-Progress is being made in obt ming final surveys of the Red Lake and Clearwater rivers, according to tried to burn two loop hotels. In both George W. Walker, Thief River Falls, of the Red Lake draining and conser ancy district.

The state of the s Hibbing-The annual state confer-Hibbing—The annual state conference of social workers will take place here, from September 10 to 13. here, from September 10 to 13.

Fergus Falls-Rev. E. Wulfsberg of Elbow Lake has been elected president of Park Region Luther college in

Waseca-A. W. McQuire, commander of the Legion post here, was named county commander at a meeting of Waseca county posts here.

Marshall-J. R. Howard, president of the National Farm Bureau federation, has accepted an invitation to speak at the Lynn county fair here Aug. 31.

Minneapolis-Deputy sheriffs recovered the body of Arthur Menard, aged 30. of Minnetonka Mills, who drowned Sunday while swimming in Lake Minnetonka at Ferndale.

Luverne-Loren Forrest, a harvester received probable mortal injuries when the binder which he was operating passed over his back. The horses had become frightened.

Canby-Harvey Davis, an electrician was severely burned when he came in contact with a wire carrying 2,300 volts of electricity. Davis was rendered unconscious and his clothes were burned from him.

Bertha-The Bertha baseball team won its twelfth victory of the season when it defeated the Verndale, Brainerd-Little Falls combination by a 4 to 2 score. The local team has lost but two games.

St. Paul-Colonel Paul Doty was elected chairman of the state Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors at the first meeting of the board, held in the Governor's office.

Red Wing-After 52 hours of constant shoveling by hundreds of men, the body of Frank Ek, who was buried alive in a cave-in at the sand pit of the Red Wing Filter Sand company was recovered.

Moorhead-Argud Erickson, aged 15, died here when he was overcome by fumes while fumigating a room in the state teachers' college here. His father, Gust Erickson, is in a hospital at Fargo, recovering from the effects of the gas.

Prior Lake-The cornerstone of the new Catholic church was laid here by Archbishop Dowling. Ten priests assisted the Rev. John Deere. The old church was completely destroyed by fire in April. The new church will cost

Fergus Falls-Henry Kantrud and Alfred J. Nelson were both seriously burned here by a gasoline explosion in the Nelson Bros. garage. Kantrud ran across the street with his clothing burning clothes from his body.

Pipestone-John Toutjes, a black smith at Holland, was killed while at miles below the scene of the drowning. work in his shop. He was welding a Thief River Falls-Several loads of shaft in the head of a steam thresh-

St. Paul-Garfield W. Brown, Glenquality. Threshing will be general in coe attorney, and prominent in repubthis district within the coming week. lican politics in Minnesota for sev-St. Paul-Hearing on the petition of eral years, was appointed by Governor the St. Paul City Railway company J. A. O. Preus to succeed Andrew Fritz for an emergency rate of seven cents as state public examiner. The new has been continued by the State Rail appointee is a veteran of the World

Montevideo-John Haga had a nargency rate hearing previously was con- row escape from death while working or his farm. Haga was driving a har-Owatonna-Farm women are organ- vester when a storm came up. He szing in Steele county for a series of was unhitching the horses when lightmeetings to be held beginning August ning struck the animals. killing al Haga was thrown to the by the Steele County Farm bureau. ground by the shock, but was unin-

St. Paul—The Minnesota State Highway department is preparing plans for road building projects to be submitted to contractors this fall in conformity with a recommendation of contractor, hadly damaged the rear Secretary Hoover that road contracts be let in the fall rather than in the adjoining houses, slightly injured spring to aid the employment situation, it was announced at the State Highway Engineer's office.

Fairmont-District Judge W. L. Con-Potato show will be held October 20 verse of South St. Paul, in a decision filed here, holds that the Blue Earth of the agricultural committee of the city council has the power to prohibit Sunday "movie" shows. Judge Conmounced by W. O. Sargent, chairman verse dissolved an injunction obtained of the committee. Prize awards to by Mark Hanson, manager of a movtaling \$1,000 will be made to exhibing picture show at Blue Earth, restraining the city from putting the

"Blue Law" ordinance into effect. St. Paul-Investigation of the coal situation in respect to supply for Min nesota, ordered by Governor J. A. O. Preus, will be broadened to include a drive against high prices of fuel, it was announced by J. H. Hay, deputy commissioner of agriculture. In urging lower coal prices, Mr. Hay sent Winona-The cause of the death of letters to governors of surrounding states and to members of the Minnesota delegation in Congress, asking united action in obtaining lower coal

> St. Paul-Barbers operating soft drink establishments or poolhalls as sidelines have until Sept. 1 to make the necessary changes as prescribed by the rule adopted by the Minnesota state examining board of barbers. Wal ter Dunlap, secretary, announced. In those shops where soft drinks are be ing sold, that department must be sep arated from the barbershop by a solid wall reaching from ceiling to floor Mr. Dunlop said. However, where poolroom is operated and no drinks or lunches are served, a six foot partition

> is sufficient. St. Cloud-Business men of St. Cloud have subscribed \$5,500 for their portion of an armory site to take advantage of the state offer of \$25,000 for the building of an armory. At a special election, the voters of the city turned down a proposed bond issue of \$75,000 for the erection of an armory the vote being two to one against the

proposition. Minneapolis-Arthur-Price, city fire marshal, and the police were searching Minneapolis for a firebug who has cases the buildings were saved by quick action by employes.

MILL CITY BLAST

Property Damage in Nicollet Avenue Mystery Explosions Over \$50,000.

ADVANCE MANY CAUSES

Electric Company Head Says Hot Weather Thought to Have Broken Insulation-Police Think It Was Caused by Gas.

Minneapolis-Property damage exceeding \$50,000 resulted from eight "mystery" explosions in electric cable conduits on Nicollet avenue, between Sixth and Seventh streets, Saturday night, according to a partial check made Sunday.

Damage to buildings near the four manholes from which the explosions issued was estimated at \$40,000, while the Minneapolis General Electric company is expected to suffer losses of more than \$10,000.

Trouble Had Been Brewing. Records in the Minneapolis fire department revealed Sunday night that the trouble in the manhole near Liggett's drug store at Sixth and Nicollet had been brewing for at least fortyeight hours before the explosion.

Thursday night the squad wagon of No. 10 station was called to the corner by citizens who reported that the manhole was "on fire." The cover was removed, and the firemen examined the cables, but, aside from a little smoke, could discover no trouble. They reported the matter to the electric company.

Again Friday afternoon, a proprietor of a store in the vicinity called the fire department and said the manhole was smoking. Robert Waddick lineman for the fire department, was detailed to look the cables over, and an employe of the Minneapolis General Electric company also inspected the cables, the firemen reported

Alarm System Inspected.

Waddick was told to inspect care fully the fire alarm system, to see if it was endangered, and reported that it was not. The electric company employe could not discover any trouble.

Curious crowds, which pushed their way through downtown streets Sunday, viewing the wreckage and peer ing into the manholes, were asking what caused the explosion?" Officials of the electric company and

city officials were equally perplexed "The actual cause of the explosion may never be known," said R. F. Pack vice president of the Minneapolis Gen eral Electric company. "Similar ex plosions in New York and Chicago have never been explained. It is pos sible that heat generated by the recent long hot spell broke down insulation in the cables, resulting in the short circuits, which seems to have started the explosions.'

Possibly Leaky Gas Main.

Police and fire officials were of the that so gas must have entered the conduits either by the breaking down of insulation or by leakage of illuminating gas from some nearby main.

Whatever the cause, the amount-of damage and number of injuries was surprisingly small; police officials declare, in view of the violence of the explosion, and the fact the downtown streets were filled with people at the time. They commented particularly on the fact that no person was fatally injured in the second explosion, which occurred in the middle of a dense crowd of spectators, and which wrecked the United Cigar Store, and the adjoining optical store owned by James E. Lee.

Although fifty persons suffered injury, and thirty were taken to the General hospital for treatment, all except five of the thirty were released by Sunday morning and the remaining five were reported recovering.

RETAIL FOOD PRICES HIGHER

Increases of 1 to 7 Per Cent Shown in Nine of Ten Cities.

Washington-Retail prices of food increased in nine of ten principal cities during the period from June 15 to July 15, the Department of Labor announced. In Detroit prices went up 7 per cent, in Peoria and Providence 5 per cent: Manchester and New Haven 4 per cent; Mobile and Savannah 3 per cent, and in Atlanta 1 per cent. Prices in Little Rock decreased onetenth of 1 per cent.

GRAIN GROWERS FLOURISHING

Chicago-The U.S. Grain Growers Inc., announced that 195 elevators have become affiliated with the organization. There were fifty-seven in Nebraska, seventy-four in North Dakota, thirty-eight in Missouri, sixteen in Illinois and two in Oklahoma.

Wood Offered Philippine Post.

Washington-Formal offer of the governor generalship of the Philippine slands has been cabled to Major General Leonard Wood, now making an inspection of the islands as the personal representative of President

Molders Accept Wage Cut. Boston-Nearly 2,000 members of the Molders' District Council of Boston and vicinity accepted a wage reduction of 35 cents a day, bringing the scale to \$6.

VALLEY BOOSTERS CLOSE TOUR HERE

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talks were given by F. A. Green, representative from the 63rd district, and Lee R. Boyd, deputy weed inspector of Crookston. After making a brief halt at the F. A. Green farm south of Stephen the party continued to Argyle where a large representation from War-ren was on hand to meet the boosters. Here Dan Robertson and Mayor Fred Tledt extended the greetings of Argyle on behalf of its citizens and the com-

Piloted by Mayor R. B. Taralseth the tourists continued to Warren and after visiting the P. Frost Spaulding farm, sat down to the final dinner of the tour at the Hotel Warren as guests of the Warren Commercial club. The Warren City band played a concert in front of the hotel while the visitors dined. About 20 people from Crookston, who had driven up for the evening meeting here, were also guests of the civic organization at the evening meal

Meeting Held Here

Following the dinner a large and enthusiastic booster meeting was held at the Masonic and K. P. lodge rooms at which President R. C. Mathwig, C. P. Bull, A. H. Rutledge, C. G. Selvig and Jefferson Jones of the Minneapolis Journal, who had accompanied the tourists on their trip, were the principal speakers. C. H. Zealand. secretary of speakers. C. H. Zealand, secretary of pense account the Development association presided at Salary account Books, stationery and printhe meeting.

That the tour, the first in the history of the association, was an unqualified uccess was the consensus of opinion of all of the boosters, speakers and members of the tour. On every hand the tourists were met with enthusiastic and cordial greetings and a desire of the towns on the route to co-operate with the Development association in every project for the mutual benefit of the citizens of the Red River valley.

The tour this year covered the northern portion of the valley so that next summer will see the boosters of the or ganization visiting the towns of the outhern section of the valley.

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RURAL SCHOOL EXHIBIT PRIZES ARE ANNOUNCED

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Booklet on Washington-1st, Lola Belle Dean, Radium; 2nd, Edna Lucille Loeslie, Radium; 3rd, Lynn Cook, Ra-

Booklet on Birds—1st, Lucille Loes lie, Radium; 2nd, Della Monroe, Radium; 3rd, Emil Clausen, Radium. Penmanship Booklets - 1st, Anna Heddon, Stephen; 2nd, Lula Jasa, Ste

phen; 3rd, Adeline Bolduc. Stephen. In cases where only one entry was made in a lot or class, second premium only will be paid. Prizes will be awarded teachers having the best rural school exhibit as follows:

1st, Boxville School, Dist. 40, Miss Edith Dagoberg and Miss Mildred Burfield, teachers; 2nd, Dist. 58, Miss Mary Hevle; 3rd, Radium School, Dist. 4, Missi Besse Sedlacek and Miss Olga Bloomsness, teachers.

A CORRECTION

In publishing the proceedings of the county board for the meeting of July 12th two typographical errors were made in the estimate of expense for the 1921 tax levy. The corrected report is as follows:

The Board proceeded to make an estimate of expenses of the County for the year 1921 tax levy which estimate is as follows: County Commissioners ex-pense account ______\$

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