SAINT PAUL.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

White Bear village has a new jail.

The retailers' union will meet tonight at the Windsor.

White Bear property owners will hold an important meeting at the Commercial club tonight.

A mass meeting in the interest of home missions was held at the First Baptist church last evening.

Wesley McClellan, of East Page street, stuck a pin in his eye, but it is thought his sight can be saved.

Bishop Warren, recently appointed to the Protestant Episcopal see of Western New York, preached at Christ church yesterday morning.

The pupils of the Cleveland high school will have a Tennyson evening Friday. The programme will consist of recitations, tableaux and music.

St. Paul camp, Modern Woodmen, will elect officers tonight. Arrangements will be made for the public installation to take place about the first of the year.

The principals of the city schools will meet at the high school at 4 o'clock this afternoon, their first meting since the beginning of Supt. Curtis' administration.

"The Dutchman at Home" is the title of a lecture to be given by D. C. Bell, of Minneapolis, tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in Olivet Congregational church, Prior and Rondo streets.

Friday evening the manual training department of the Humboldt school will give an entertainment in the assembly hall of the school. An interesting talk on "Ben Hur" will be given by Mrs. J. C. Bryant.

The Minnehaha Skating club will hold its first regular meeting of the season this evening at carnival headquarters in the Pioneer Press building. The club will elect its officers at this meeting, and a full attendance of members is desired.

James M. Kennedy, aged nineteen, died yesterday at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Annie Merryweather, 543 Wabasha street. The funeral will be held tomorrow at 9 a. m. from the residence, followed by services at the cathedral at 9::30.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Dayton Avenue Presbyterian Church will on Friday evening give a "shoe social" in the church parlors. An "old woman in the shoe" will administer broth without any bread at the close of a short musical and literary programme. Donations of shoes or other articles of wearing apparel are expected.

Dean Peck, of Denver, field secretary of the Christian Alliance, will hold an all-day meeting today at the First Swedish Baptist church, Collins and Burr streets. The subjects will be "Divine Healing," the "Lord's Coming" and "The Missions." Meetings begin at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. He spoke three times yesterday at the same place on the "Holy Spirit."

The Christmas carol will be given Saturday, Dec. 26, at the high school building. The cast includes about forty young people, students from the manual training school and the various high schools in the city, and well-known amateurs: Miss Sturges, Miss Hawkins, Miss Dora Johnson, Miss Lamprey, Miss Wright; Messrs. Farnham, John Miller, Harry Davis-Corning, James Hubbell and Mark Hawkins. There will be two performances, afternoon and evening.

IN LABOR CIRCLES.

Division No. 40, of the Order of Railway Conductors, held a regular meeting at Bowlby hall, at which arrangements were completed for the annual meeting, which will be held Dec. 20, and which will be followed by a banquet at the Ryan. In addition to the election of officers, a delegate will be selected to represent the organization at the national convention, which meets at Los Angeles in May next.

A most successful dance was given by the hack and cab drivers' union at Assembly halls last Monday evening, when fully 150 couples enjoyed the hospitality of the union. The committees in charge and to whose efforts the success of the dance was largely due, were: Arrangements—Charles De Witt, Jacob Jard, George Reed. Reception—Frank Grund, Leopold Hilger, John Kennedy. Floor—William Barbeau, John Igo, Wesley Quinn, John Wilson.

Three new members were initiated by the cigarmakers' union Thursday night. An application to strike, from New York city union, which will involve six unionists and four non-unionists, was approved. The next meeting will be a day ahead of the schedule—Wednesday, Dec. 23—owing to Christmas eve occurring on the regular night. Election of officers will take place at that time.

The bricklayers' union initiated one candidate for membership at its last meeting. The union is interested in an effort to bring about a reform in the building inspector's office by making it a necessary qualification of all deputies to be competent mechanics in some of the building trades and its delegates to today's convention are instructed to bring the subject before the federation.

One member was admitted by the web press helpers' union Monday evening. The committee having charge of the union's recent dance reported the event a financial success. The annual election of officers took place with the following results: President, Rube Shuneman; vice president, John Brewer; recording secretary, Robert J. Lane; secretary-treasurer, John W. Averoskey; sergeant-at-arms, Frank Brom; executive board, Marshall Mills, Frank Bolland, John B. Voyer and George Yould.

The joint agitation committee of the St. Paul and Minneapolis cigarmakers' unions met in this city Sunday last and completed arrangements for the issuance of the first number of "Blue Label Advocate" about the 20th of this month. It will be published from both cities, and its chief object will be to fight tenement house cigars in particular and non-union cigars generally.

Gardner & Brass' union orchestra have tendered their services gratis on the occasion of the assembly halls trustees' dance, Dec. 16. At its last meeting the musicians' union appointed a committee consisting of Frank Brown, John Frick, H. Brissenbach, Frank Novotny, F. Beer and E. Brown to arrange for a dance in the near future.

The building trades board Tuesday evening elected Ed Christopherson, of the cornice workers' union, chairman, and J. L. Hughes, of the carpenters', secretary. The letters to architects and builders has been issued. It urges the insertion in specifications for building of a proviso that union labor only be employed. The board will meet regularly hereafter on the second Friday of every month.

Typographia No. 13 elected W. J. Francois delegate to the state federation of labor, and instructed him to support the socialistic resolution at its regular meeting.

The delegates of the pressfeeders' and job pressmen's and Typographical Union No. 30 are not instructed and may vote on the resolution as they may see fit.

Iron Moulders' Union No. 232 will be represented in today's convention by D. W. Potter.

T. F. Thomas has been chosen chairman of Typographical Union No. 30's delegation to the Trades and Labor assembly.

The boot and shoe workers' union gives a smoking social at Assembly hall next Saturday. Refreshments will be served and a pleasing musical programme rendered.

The hack and cab drivers' union initiated two new members and made nominations for offices at their last meeting.

Some important matters submitted by the general organization were considered by A. R. U. 214 at its last regular meeting.

The Assembly halls trustees' dancing party will occur next Wednesday. The music will be furnished by Gardner and Brass' union orchestra, and supper and refreshments served by the members of the bindery girls' and garment workers' unions.

The joint agitation committee of the Twin City cigarmakers' unions will meet in Minneapolis Wednesday evening to complete arrangements for issuing their paper.

The union label fair propositions assumed a new phase Friday night when the trades and labor assembly non-concurred in the favorable report of the committee appointed to investigate into its advisibility. A conference of the unions having labels will be held in the near future to consider the matter further.

The next meeting of the trades assembly will take place Dec. 29, owing to the regular night being on Christmas eve.

The free text book committee of the trades and labor assembly will appear before the conference board to urge the provision of sufficient funds to insure the establishment of the system.

STONE IS INVESTIGATING.

Health Department Looks Into the Hydrophobia Scare.

Dr. A. J. Stone, the commissioner of health, is keeping a close eye upon the dogs bitten Nov. 30, in Merriam Park and vicinity, but several have not yet been reported, and the commissioner is exceedingly anxious to have the information. It is absolutely necessary that his department be informed in order to enforce proper quarantine and save possible fatalities.

WANT HIM REMOVED

STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR ASKS THE GOVERNOR TO CUT OFF POWERS

AS LABOR COMMISSIONER.

PARTISANSHIP IN REPORTS IS CHARGED AGAINST THE EX-MINISTER.

SOCIALISTS ARE THROWN OUT.

Officers Are Elected and a Budget of Miscellaneous Business Is Transacted.

Labor Commissioner Powers was roundly scored at the semi-annual meeting of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor at Assembly hall yesterday. It was a large and enthusiastic gathering that was called to order at 10:30 o'clock by First Vice President McCauley, of St. Cloud, who introduced President Edward Christopherson, of the local trades and labor assembly. Mr. Christopherson welcomed the delegates on behalf of the assembly, and afterwards introduced Mayor Doran, who made a few remarks welcoming the delegates on behalf of the city of St. Paul.

M. E. Neary, of Minneapolis, president of the state federation, called the session to order. The call of the meeting was read by the secretary, W. B. Hammond. The president appointed the committee on credentials, as follows: Messrs. John Speuhler, Winona; W. S. Chrisholm, Minneapolis, and J. D. Hayes, Duluth.

Awaiting the report of the committee on credentials, a call was made for W. W. Erwin, the "tall pine," who responded with a speech which was heartily encored.

The president announced the committee on resolutions, P. Lawrence, E. R. Cobb and P. J. Geraghty. He also announced the following committees:

Constitution—J. F. McCauley, W. E. McEwen, J. H. Becker.

Finance—Edward Christopherson, E. R. Ferguson, W. T. Drake.

Officers' Reports—J. L. Hughes, W. D. Shay, James Travers.

Rules and Order of Business—John Swift, Frank McDonald, E. B. Lott.

The credentials committee's report against the seating of delegates from the Socialist party then came up, and created some heated discussion. A proposition was made to amend it so that the meeting would be obliged to accept the Socialist delegates unless they were rejected by a two-thirds vote. The chair ruled that the motion was out of order. On appeal the vote stood 30 to 69 in favor of sustaining the chair. The report of the committee was carried and its report sustained, the delegates not being seated.

President M. E. Neary then made his report to the convention, which was listened to with much interest.

Secretary W. B. Hammond's report followed next, which stated that he had received for advertising $111.45, and after paying expenses has a balance on hand of $48.70. Out of seventy-five unions, thirty-three had returned reports. The total number of members was 2,123, a net increase in six months past of 219. Of these 1,536 were working and 478 unemployed. The number of non-union workers was reported as 1,478. Of nine strikes reported four were successful, two were compromised, one was wholly lost, and two have not yet been abandoned. "I believe," said Mr. Hammond, "the federation may justly congratulate itself that the work done in the last two or three years is bearing fruit in a largely increased membership and greater interest than before. The organization is now what it was intended to be, but never before reached, a bond of union between practically all the labor organizations of Minnesota."

Treasurer McDonald reported $25.15 on hand.

The federation council gave its report. It recommends that the federation should maintain a lobby at the coming session of the legislature and issue a call for the contribution to pay for such expense if the funds of the federation do not permit. It also recommends that the convention nominate a candidate for the position of member of the state board of arbitration and present such candidate for consideration of the governor. "Employers," the committee states, "are at any time liable to insist your troubles being adjusted by the board and the voice of labor should be heard in the naming of our representative." The committee also recommends that they be represented on the prison board. New business was next in order. It was moved that the roll be called on the socialistic resolution, No. 6, which was submitted as follows, without recommendation:

Whereas, The emancipation of the working class is that of all human beings, without distinction of race or sex;

Whereas, The working class can never be free until it gets possession of the means of production;

Whereas, The collective ownership of the means of production can result only from the organized efforts of the working class on both economic and independent political lines;

Be It Resolved, That the Federation of Labor of the state of Minnesota call upon the working people of this state to organize both on economic and independent political lines for the purpose of establishing the Co-operative Commonwealth, based on the collective ownership of the means of production and their operations for the benefit of the people.

The motion was defeated by a vote of 46 to 63. It was moved, seconded and carried that the delegates be compelled to vote as their organiations instructed them.

The finance committee reported that on Dec. 13 there was in the treasurer's hands $25.15, and in the secretary's hands $63.20.

An amendment was proposed to the constitution, article 1, section 2, to be known as section 1, to read: "That party politics, whether they be Democratic, Republican, Socialistic, Populistic, Prohibition, or any other, shall have no place in the convention of the State Federation of Labor, nor shall the delegates from any political party be admitted."

The above important amendment received considerable discussion on the part of the delegates. M. E. Murray, of St. Paul, would not vote either way until he was informed whether the Farmers' Alliance was considered a political party or not. He was not given the desired information, but the amendment was carried.

POWERS IS SCORED.

The committee on constitution recommended that section 8 of the constitution be amended to read, "The nationalization of telegraphs, telephones, railways and mines, and other means of production and distribution," the last eight words making the amendment.

The report was adopted, the amendment with it.

Speaking of the Socialists, Delegate McCauley created unbounded enthusiasm by saying:

"The Socialists are all right. The socialistic principles are all right, but the men behind the Socialists are all wrong."

The following axiomatic resolution, introduced by G. C. Collins, of Typographical Union No. 13, St. Paul, was carried with but one dissenting vote:

Whereas, The office of labor commissioner of the state of Minnesota was created for the express purpose of inquiring into the condition and promoting the interest of the laboring classes of the state without regard to political views, race, conditions or creed, and

Whereas, His last annual report, consisting of 526 pages, was in no sense in the interests of the laboring classes, but a document prepared solely for the perpetuation in office of a certain political party and his own retention as labor commissioner of the state of Minnesota, therefore, be it

Resolved, That, we, the delegates of the State Federation of Labor of the State of Minnesota, denounce the course taken by said labor commissioner.

Resolved, Furthermore, That we respectfully petition his excellency, the governor of the state of Minnesota, to remove from the office of labor commissioner the present incumbent and to appoint in his place some one approved of by the majority of at least ten recognized labor organizations and twenty of the delegates to the state federation of labor of Minnesota.

The eight-hour law was then taken up and discussed at length. Delegate Lawrence, who organized this movement in Minnesota, spoke in favor of it. A resolution anent the matter was sent back.

Women's rights crept in, and the following resolution was carried:

"Resolved, That the Minnesota State Federation of Labor urge the next legislature to extend the full elective franchise to women, the same as men." The motion was carried amid much laughter.

The saw mill employes offered a resolution that something be done to prevent their employers forcing insurance policies upon them. The motion was carried.

CONVICT-MADE GOODS.

The evening session was called to order at 7:15 o'clock, and the following resolution immediately offered as a starter: "Resolved, That each and every article, no matter of what nature, manufactured by convicts and put on the market for sale in the state of Minnesota, must wear a label which shall read, 'Convict made.'" This was offered by Delegate G. H. Becker, and was carried.

Another important resolution was passed which read: "Whereas, Corporations in Minnesota and other states in the Union demand of their employes a cash deposit or bond as a guarantee of good faith;

"Whereas, Employes of corporations who occupy responsible places of trust pay interest on the amount of bonds given by a surety company;

"Whereas, The Twin City Rapid Transit company demands of each motorman and conductor the sum of $25, and also holds back eight days' pay as a guarantee (the number of conductors and motormen aggregate 500);

"Whereas, Street car companies of other cities demand the same deposit from their employes and also hold back a number of days' pay as a guarantee, but allow their employes a note of 5 per cent interest on the amount deposited, paid on the first of each year;

Whereas, The Twin City Rapid Transit company has never allowed its employes interest on the money held by them on deposit;

"Therefore, be it resolved, That laws be enacted which shall compel corporations to pay interest on money deposited with them by their employes as a guarantee of good faith;

"Resolved, That the Minnesota State Federation of Labor place this resolution in the hands of the legislative committee and instruct them to work to this end at the meeting of the legislature this winter."

The garment workers made a resolution that a committee be appointed to visit the retail dealers and ask them to handle none but label goods. The garment workers denounce the action taken by the authorities at the House of the Good Shepherd, whose inmates are employed in manufacturing garments, and who said that if the garment workers of the state created any trouble they, the House of Good Shepherd, would convert every room in the institution into a manufactory for garments.

A resolution was carried indorsing the action of the Magnolia Waiters' Union No. 65, of Minneapolis, in their strike against the New England restaurant. A protest was also made against the recognition of the Waiters' Mutual Aid society.

An attempt will be made to organize the butchers of St. Paul.

A committee of three was elected to act as arbitrators in matters that may arise between the waiters' union and the Knights of Labor. The committee consist of Messrs. W. L. Gifford, Minneapolis; M. E. Murray, St. Paul, and J. E. E. Johnson, Minneapolis.

The following delegates were appointed a committee to visit the mother superior of the House of the Good Shepherd and Archbishop Ireland, to discuss the complaint of the garment workers: P. J. Geraghty, Collins and Murray.

A resolution lifting the boycott from the Lyceum theater, Duluth, was carried, as the union there had won its case.

A supplementary report of the finance committee was then read, which was as follows: Receipts at convention, $110; expenses allowed, $29.70; excess over expenditures, $80.30.

Frederick C. Nelson and Nic De Long were elected on the board of arbitration for the state at large.

The election of a representative of organized labor for the coming session of the legislature took place next. The nominees were J. F. McCauley, of St. Cloud; Peter Lorenz, E. B. Scott, T. F. Thomas and J. L. Hughes. The vote resulted as follows:

McCauley, 38; Hughes, 15; Lorenz, 12; Thomas, 8. Mr. McCauley was announced as the next lobbyist.

The city in which the next meeting of the federation will take place was then voted upon. Mankato and St. Cloud were the nominees, and St. Cloud received 45 votes, coming off victorious.

A unanimous vote was taken that St. Paul be made the federation council city.

The election of officers was next in order, beginning with president. The nominees for that office were M. E. Neary, the present executive; M. E. Murray, J. L. Chapman and Patrick Geraghty. The total number of votes cast was 88, Mr. Neary receiving the largest number, 50; Murray, 15; Chapman, 13, and Geraghty, 3. President Neary was, therefore, elected to serve another term.

The contest for first vice president was spirited, and two votes had to be taken, finally resulting in the election of J. L. Chapman, of Minneapolis, who received 42 votes out of a total of 68. The other nominees were J. G. Hughes, St. Paul, receiving 21 votes, and Emil Skoog, Minneapolis, and John Spuhler, Winona, receiving 2 and 3 votes respectively.

Miss Kate Keating, of St. Paul, was chosen second vice president by a unanimous vote. Miss Keating responded to the applause with a few appropriate words.

For secretary William McEwen, of Duluth; Frank Pampusch and W. B. Hammond, present secretary, of St. Paul, were nominated. The last two gentlemen refusing to run, Mr. McEwen was unanimously elected secretary.

James McDonald, of Duluth, and E. B. Lott, of St. Paul, were the nominees for treasurer. Mr. McDonald won, 46 to 72.

The following gentlemen were elected to act as representatives to the Farmers' Alliance congress, which will be held here in January: M. E. Murray, St. Paul; Messrs. Cobb, Duluth, and Moeller, Minneapolis.

LATE SOCIAL NEWS.

Division No. 2, Daughters of Erin, will give a social hop Dec. 30 at Twin City hall, Rice street and University avenue.

Mrs. C. Hoyt entertained Mme. Coe and family, Mrs. Hall and daughter, Miss Larkin, Miss Devereau, Miss Whiting at whist Friday evening at the Albion. Refreshments were served.

Liberty Lodge No. 137, Knights of Pythias, entertained about forty couples at progressive cinch Thursday evening at its lodge rooms, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Mrs. Merritt and Mrs. Hewson won the ladies' prizes and G. A. Johnson and J. A. Logerman the gentlemen's prizes. At close of play refreshments were served by the committee in charge. Dancing followed.

Home money to loan at lowest rates without charge for commission, without gold clause and with the "on or before" privilege at our State Savings Bank, Germania Life Bldg., 4th and Minn. Sts.

IN DEATH THEIR JOY

ST. PAUL IS THE PLACE OF TWO CHINESE BURIALS, UNUSUAL HERE.

STRANGE ORIENTAL RITES

EXCITE THE CURIOSITY OF HUNDREDS OF AMERICANS WHO ATTENDED THEM.

MASONIC ORDER OF MONGOLS

Buries Its Dead Brother With Rites as Impressive as Those of Solomon's Temple.

Notwithstanding the fact that the surgeon's knife had desecrated the body of Lu Quong, the Chinese suicide was yesterday given a funeral wholly in keeping with his position as an officer of the Chinese Free Masons and started on his journey to the eternal Flowery kingdom with all of the ceremonious ostentation of the Orient. Every feature characterized the obsequies which would have obtained in far-off China, and the incongruous surroundings of American civilization only served to heighten the spectacular effect of the unusual proceedings. The fumes of burning incense and the chanted prayers of the suicide's yellow-skinned countrymen rose heavenward together amid the din of a huge brass gong, while gorgeously colored flags, bearing strange characters wholly unintelligible to the wondering spectators, unfurled themselves over the bier of the dead Celestial. His history in this life and his accomplishments were told in chant and song, and the evil spirit, of whom the Chinaman has a wholesome fear, was baffled and driven back to his dark abode with flames of fire and unearthly noises, in the face of which a hurried departure even on the part of his satanic majesty might be easily understood and pardoned. In fact, watching the strange and weird ceremonies and listening to the utterances of the participants the spectator was prone to wonder that the Evil One ever possessed sufficient temerity to attempt the possession of a Celestial soul when such means of circumvention were employed. To cap the climax of the extraordinary rites, Kleist's band was in attendance and discoursed its liveliest airs while the ceremonies were in progress, though not once disconcerting the almond-eyed individual who furnished the bass drum accompaniment upon the dolorous gong. It was an occasion not without its element of the ludicrous to the onlookers, and many a merry jest was passed anent the queer doings, but to the Orientals gathered about the casket it was the observance of the traditions of thousands of years and the only appropriate manner in which to consign the dead to the last earthly resting place.

The strange funeral began in the open air in front of Dohm's undertaking rooms at Seven Corners and was witnessed by fully 300 people. Throughout the entire day the morbidly curious had thronged the establishment where Lu Quong's body lay in state in a neat black casket bearing the simple inscription in English, "At Rest," and when the delegation of Chinese Free Masons, accompanied by every celestial in the Twin Cities and some from other parts of the state, arrived to take charge of the remains, they could scarcely reach the door through the expectant crowd. At 2 o'clock six carriages brought the Chinamen from the funeral of their countryman who was murdered a week ago at New Richmond, which had just been concluded at Godbout's undertaking establishment at 489 Wabasha street. Little ceremony attached to the first funeral, as the dead man was not a Free Mason. He was buried by relatives, and the other representatives of the Flowery kingdom merely attended out of respct and condolence. There are but six Chinese Free Masons in St. Paul, and as each of these left the carriages he carried under his arm a mysterious looking package with which he hurried into the undertaking rooms. Hum Bang, acting in the capacity of grand master of the order, carried a large triangular pink silk flag, ornamented with the doubly mysterious characters of Chinese Masonry. A dead black border fringed the emblem, while gaily colored peacock feathers set off the tip of the staff which was wound in colors of red and white. Another Chinaman bore aloft a vivid green pennant, bearing the inscription in English, "Chinese Free Masons." Peacock feathers likewise ornamented this flag, whose border was of blue, set off by streamers of orange and dark blue.

By the time the color bearers had entered the room where the corpse lay the other members of the Masons had opened the packages which had aroused the curiosity of the crowd outside and disclosed a most varied assortment of edibles and luxuries, including a large duck, roasted to a delicious brown, a cock, also cooked, but sitting upright in the dish with head erect and surmounted with a comb as brilliantly red as in life. Cakes, fruits and sweetmeats of every description were in profusion, while delicate china bowls contained queer looking nuts and a queerer, though appetizing appearing native macaroni. Dried lily stems, designated by a small boy as "cigar clippings," constituted another epicurean relish. In addition to the edibles there was a bottle of wine beside which closely nestled a package of "Sweet Caporal" cigarettes. A feast for a king it was, and such it was in a measure intended to be by those arranging the ceremonies, for to the Chinese mind death is not the grim specter of sorrow and mourning as conceived by other nations, but is literally held to be the key to a kingdom whose flowers never fade and whose sweet odors are eternal. It is of momentous importance then that a deceased Celestial take his departure for this beautiful and coveted land under the most auspicious circumstances, and, though the feast is spread in observance of the funeral rites, the significance is that of a farewell banquet at which the dead is the guest of honor, about to depart from his friends on a long journey. Prayers are said, charms worked to ward off evil adventures, and the body finally consigned to the tomb with the full consciousness that all mortal hands can do to insure a safe arrival at the mystic destination of beauty and joy has been accomplished.

When all was in readiness the earthly remains of Lu Quong were borne to the street just outside the undertaking rooms and placed upon rests prepared for the casket. The Masons carried their former fellow member forth, each with a sash of red and white silk ribbon wound about his body, the red being emblematic of the order and the white being the Chinese color of mourning, not mourning to the inhabitants of the Celestial kingdom, but a sign of life worn at all funerals. In the rear of the litttle procession came several other Chinamen bearing the table containing the viands for the feast. Placing the table at the foot of the corpse, the Masons took positions beside the casket, and with the two gorgeous banners waving the ceremonies were commenced.

Hum Bang, clad in a rich Oriental costume of violet silk, waved the pink flag over the head of the dead man, while others of the Masons lighted joss sticks of incense and arranged them about the table. Immediately under the foot of the casket, stuck in a bright red apple for a holder, was placed a bunch of joss sticks, and when their fumes began to rise the entire company of Chinamen commenced a deep, sonorous chant, each reciting in their odd accent the deeds of Lu Quong in life. At the conclusion of the concert chant, little red candles were lighted and Woo Chee struck up a din on the brass gong, while the band, in the natural order of things, rendered a most solemn dirge. Later, the musicians were apprised of the nature of the ceremony and confined their subsequent efforts to more appropriate airs.

When the din ceased a member of the Masons stepped forward, and unwinding the red sash from his body, waved it three times over the casket and began the chant of the Masonic rites. Slowly, and then faster he merged his words until they became an unintelligible string of sounds, in the meantime prostrating himself before the table containing the goose, chicken and sweetmeats, upon which still burned the pungent incense.

The crowd eagerly watched his movements, and he finally allowed his voice to die away, when his place was taken by Hum Chee, who read from a worn volume containing pages of Chinese characters. During this part of the ceremonies flowers were placed on the casket and also a grave marker of pink silk, containing the titles of the dead man in the Masonic order.

With the conclusion of the reading, Woo Chee began a low chant and added vigor to the blows which he had been continuously striking upon the gong. Suddenly Lee Chung, with a shriek of apparent grief, rushed toward the casket. Wails of grief and anguish issued from his lips and many thought him a relative of the deceased overcome by sorrow. Such was not the case, however, as he was but speaking the grief of the company at parting from their friend. Several Chinamen, in conformance with the ceremony, took him by the arm and led him back to his place, where his utterances were drowned by the laughter of the spectators, in which even some of the Celestials joined.

Lee Chung then took a position at the table and poured out three cups of rice wine from a teapot, while other of the Chinamen passed the foot of the casket and emptied the fluid on the ground. Another bunch of joss sticks was blessed and lighted, when Hum Bang began "pouring tea," filling the little cups as fast as his fellow Masons scattered the contents about the casket. Two fantastic holders containing dyed peacock feathers were then placed at the head of the casket, after which every Chinaman present, clasping a stick of burning incense in his hands, passed before the bier and bowed twice almost to the ground.

Once more the concert chanting was commenced, while one of the company of Celestials, at this juncture of the proceedings somewhat inclined to mirthful utterances and gestures, carefully wrapped two feathers, one gilded, the other overlaid with silver, in the papers which had originally contained the articles on the table, the feathers representing wealth in their coatings of the precious metals, with which the dead man was to pay the expenses of his journey. At a signal from Hum Bang the chanting rose to a shriller pitch, and one of the Masons set fire to the large bundle of paper. While the flames crackled and the smell of the burning feathers entered the nostrils of the participants in the ceremonies, the brass gong kept up its incessant noise, which was almost made into a bedlam by the cries of the Chinamen. They were frightening away the evil spirit, and when the fire went out they ceased their utterances, while exultation shone on every yellow face, as of an inward consciousness of a full duty faithfully performed.

This concluded the ceremony, and as the casket was placed in the waiting hearse, the band, remembering their first faux pas, struck up the "Coon's March" with a vigor which caused the staid horses, accustomed to walk sedately along to a mournful dirge, to prance and rear as though in open protest against such apparent sacrilege. The procession started for Oakland cemetery, with Hum Bang and the pink flag proudly leading the cortege. Then came Woo Chee, with the gong hanging from the staff of the green emblem, upon which he still continued to pound out mournful vibrations. Next came the hearse, closely about which marched the company of Chinamen. Immediately behind the marchers a young Celestial, busily engaged in scattering broadcast small pieces of paper filled with small holes, attracted the attention of the spectators along the enentire line of march. His acts but accorded with a native superstition. There is always a race between the corpse and the devil to the grave, and if the body reaches the tomb first it is safe for all time. The pieces of paper were to retard the evil one, who, according to the belief of the Chinese, must pass through each of the holes in every piece of paper strewn behind the corpse. All the way to the cemetery the line of march was easily followed by the sheets of brown paper, and, even if his satanic majesty was able to hold his own to this point, he was given an awful battle at the cemetery gate, where an entire armful of the punctured bits was scattered about.

Only a brief reading from the Masonic book marked the services at the cemetery chapel, though fully 500 people had followed the procession to the grave with the hope of witnessing more of the unusual ceremonies. Each Mason left his colored sash on the bier of his countryman, which was lowered from sight while the band executed the last f a series of marches, two-steps and polkas which marked the progress of the cortege through the streets. The body will remain in a vault until spring, when it will be interred, with that of the other Chinaman who was also yesterday consigned to his last earthly resting place.

Among those in attendance upon the funeral were Sam Kee, Wong Wing, Humm Kee, Humm Bang, Wah Yuen, Woo Chang, Sam Lee, of St. Paul, and Sam Sing, Woo Wing, Woo On, Ark On, of Minneapolis, and Humm Yuck and wife, of Hastings. Moy Jim, of Stillwater, was present in his official capacity of traveling agent for the Free Masons.

SUNDAY AT THE HOTELS.

L. D. Smith, of Duluth, is at the Ryan.

S. Fewler, of Mazeppa, is at the Windsor.

J. H. Smith, of Detroit, is at the Clarendon.

Daniel Hyland, of Rainy River, is at the Astoria.

John Owen, of Duluth, is registered at the Astoria.

C. A. Fosnes, of Montevideo, is at the Windsor.

J. C. Donnovan, of Tracy, is a guest at the Windsor.

George A. Stewart, of New York city, is at the Ryan.

L. J. Rothschild, of Chicago, is a guest at the Ryan.

W. C. Brown, of Winona, is a guest at the Merchants.

Julius Melgord, of Baldwin, Wis., is at the Clarendon.

J. H. Bolton and wife, of Mankato, are at the Windsor.

W. E. Spaulding, Heron Lake, is a guest at the Astoria.

J. J. Meyers, Green Bay, Wis., is registered at the Ryan.

E. F. Stevens, of La Crosse, is at the Metroptilitan.

J. W. Matteson, of Madison, is at Hotel Metropolitan.

W. H. Cutler, of West Superior, Wis., is at the Merchants.

W. E. Toway and wife, Stillwater, are at the Merchants.

L. L. Baxter, of Fergus Falls, is registered at the Merchants.

H. P. Davis, of Sioux Falls, Io., is a guest at the Merchants.

Peter Casey, of Peoria, Ill, registered at the Ryan yesterday.

W. B. Phelps and C. J. Crisma, of Duluth, are at the Metropolitan.

P. P. Hoode, of St. James, registered at Hotel Metropolitan yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Roberts and Mrs. J. Roberts, of Sioux City, are at the Metropolitan.

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CHRISTIAN CITIZENS MEET

To Discuss Ways and Means for Improving the Morals of the Municipality.

The platform meeting held at the Plymouth Congregational church last evening in the interests of the Christian Citizens' league was attended by a fair-sized audience, which listened to adresses by Rev. Watson B. Millard, D. T. Wellington and David C. Bell, of Minneapolis. Each speaker dealt with a particular phase of the city's morals and heartily commended the efforts of the league in its work to bring about an order of things when there will be less of corruption and evil in the Saintly City.

Rev. Dr. W. B. Millard, as president of the league, outlined the results which had already been accomplished in the desired direction and urged all citizens in favor of a broad Christian municipal government to assist the organization by affiliating with it and laboring in its interests.

D. T. Wellington, secretary of the Ramsey County Prison association, spoke upon the subject, "The City and Its Relation to the Boys and Girls." He said in part:

The city is beautiful to look upon; is healthful and charming for a home. Fine residences adorn the beautiful lawned and paved streets, and evidences of the wealth and culture of her citizens are to be seen on every hand. But the way down from the crowned hills of the city leads to lower levels, where beauty is lost and an unwelcome change greets the eye. The streets of the city, under the bright sky and gladsome sunshine, are checkered with beauty spots—the boys and girls moving to and fro in all the vigor and joyousness of their free and happy childhood. No sight more charming, and none so hopeful, as the innocent frolic and pleasures of the boys and girls. We love to see them happy, and plan to keep them so.

The city and the boys and girls by day, however, is quite another thing from the city and the boys and girls at night. There are dark and forbidding places in the depressions of our city's formation, and snarling lynxes lie hidden there ready to spring upon the careless ones. These are the seductive pleasures, the strains of witching music, that lure the lad and lass, and by their subtle influence poison the soul like the night shade on the foothills of the mountain. Perils wait our dear boys and girls, who but live their nature out when they seek enjoyment and love play, and who, chasing each other in mad pursuit, thoughtlessly cross the danger line. What can save them if the lurking evil and the covered pitfalls on the lower levels are to exist forever? Charge not that they seek danger. None so afraid as they of dark and noisome places, and not one will lose himself willingly. Whose hand leads? Men and women must bear the blame if boys and girls get lost.

The fault is at the door of wealth and culture that the offspring of the gentle dame and the charwoman go down alike into the valley that lies under the mansion-topped hill and meet the destroyer of their souls. When clubs and classes, societies and functions shall receive the baptism of regeneration and their devotees come away from the worship of their idols—their own pleasure and gratification—then, perchance, the darling boys and girls of the mansions and the hovels will receive the attention that is now lacking in their lives, and there will be fewer to mourn over them as being lost to life and love.

I have seen upon the streets of the beautiful city at night, time and again, as late as 10 or 11 o'clock, boys and girls ranging in age from twelve to seventeen years, strolling, playing, or lounging, utterly indifferent to the lateness of the hour; and in some instances conducting themselves in a scandalous manner. I have traced them to their homes, and have seen them entering houses of pretentious appearance, indicating to me the fact that the parents of such girls and boys were not of the low and ignorant classes, and certainly well-to-do in the world. I have called, and endeavored to rouse the mother to a sense of the fearful danger her girl is in, and in some instances to bring about a change in the girl's conduct, but quite often it happens that the parents of such children as are found on the streets at night are themselves out on the particular evening the children are attending a function or history class or a lodge somewhere for their own gratification. For such children as these the clanging of the curfew bell would be a correction of their ways, as they would hardly dare to risk the likelihood of an arrest. And to such parents as these, who allow their children to be on the streets evenings, a curfew law would stir their pure minds up to a sense of their duty as parents, if not before, after the first arrest of their boy or girl.

The boys and girls of the city are worth all, over and again, that we can put into safeguards, laws and ordinances for the assurance of their moral safety. And it is high time, as I well know, that the fathers and mothers of the city rub the dust from their eyes and look squarely at the issue that confronts them in respect to the saving of their own and their neighbors' children. Let none say they have no interest in preventive and saving work for the young, for it is a sin and a shame for man or woman to be indifferent in these things, whether they are parents or not. Whatever in this world tends to bring danger to the youth and disgrace upon the young is of vital importance to us all, and we are not blameless if the baneful influence or the harmful condition continues to exist when once we shall be made to know it.

David C. Bell was introduced as a resident of Minneapolis who had been intimately connected with a successful reform movement in the Mill city, and briefly explained how the crusade in favor of good citizenship government was carried on in that city. The first attack, he said, had been made on the city council, where, he asserted, before the crusade men had held office who were not representatives of true business integrity, while others were wholly dishonest, and had been elected simply by the political machine to expend the funds of the taxpayers in a dishonest manner. Realizing that a machine was necessary to cope with a machine, the better class of citizens had organized systematically throughout the thirteen wards of the city, and advocated their principles at the ballot box. As a result, four aldermen elected at the recent election were those nominated by the Christian Citizenship league, while three other successful candidates had received the indorsement of the organization. The vote was the only influence to bring to bear upon politicians, and the citizens of Minneapolis had determined to make this influence a potent weapon in their campaign against evil. The council had been purged, and the good citizenship league was in the political field to stay until the entire complexion of municipal government in Minneapolis had been changed.

NOVEL LODGE RITES.

Installation of Officers and Christening of Babies.

Constellation Chapter No. 18, O. E. S., will hold its annual public installation of officers Wednesday evening. There will be, in addition, the public christening of seven children of members of the order. A choice musical programme has been arranged. These annual gatherings of this chapter are always looked forward to with great pleasure, as they are of a high order of entertainment. A special invitation is extended to Masons and their families. The officers to be installed are: Worthy matron, Mrs. Jennie Paradis; worthy patron, John H. Knowd; associate matron, Miss Gertrude Imeson; secretary, Mrs. Martha Gordon; treasurer, Mrs. Addie Upright; conductress, Mrs. Nettie McWhorton; associate conductress, Mrs. Emma Nelson; Adah, Miss Flossie Ferrier; Ruth, Mrs. W. Heath; Esther, Mrs. Alice Miller; Martha, Mrs. M. Campbell; Electa, Mrs. S. Geiser; marshal, Mrs. J. Scott; warder, Mrs. J. Simons; sentinel, J. Fischer; organist, Miss Adah Iverson.

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