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IN The Field of Labor.

The past year has been a very prosperous one for the employes of the Chicago Great Western shops. All departments have worked full time and all but the car workers' department are still doing so. The exception in the car workers' department is made necessary on account of the early darkness and the lack of lighting facilities. Other departments are at present working full time, and two gangs have been for some time working nights in the machinery department. General Foreman J. M. Robb, while talking to a Globe reporter yesterday, said:

"Our shops during the summer and at present are working up to their full capacity, and this applies to all departments excepting the car department. We are at present employing here over 400 men, and are crowded at that. The reason for the moving of the shops from here to Oelwein is that we need more room for our work, which is constantly growing.

"In the new shops at Oelwein we will have all the latest and best modern machinery, and all the motive power will be electricity. By this means the company can save a great deal, not by cutting down either wages or men, but by the new improvement in the new plant over our present one.

"Yes, I am going to Oelwein, and we expect to move some time during the latter part of March or first of April, or perhaps before that. I expect a large number of our old men will go with us; in fact, a canvass has been made, and over half of the present force had signified their intentions and said they were going with the old shops."

"The past year has been the best and most prosperous for the men in the history of the shops, and also for the company. We have just closed contracts for ten new Baldwin locomotives of the largest pattern, and 700 new freight cars. The new shops at Oelwein are being built by the Great Western company, and are their property, but there are several contractors who are at present engaged in building homes at Oelwein for tenants, and I understand some fifty are now ready."

Plasterers' Union Takes Life.

The new plasterers' union of St. Paul was started again last night, when fifteen out of the thirty plasterers of the city completed a permanent organization. The first officers of the new organization are: President, J. H. Wilson; vice president, Ed Christian; recording and corresponding secretary, John Purvis; financial secretary, Ed Lester; treasurer, C. Poniear.

The following were elected delegates to the Building Trades council, which meets at Assembly hall tonight: J. H. Wilson, Charles Hallen and Thomas Wilson. A committee of three, made up of John Purvis, Thomas Wilson and Charles Hallen, were appointed to visit the next regular meeting of the plasterers' union at Minneapolis on Monday evening, and learn what was necessary to make applications to become a member of the International Plasterers' union. The committee was instructed to report at the next weekly meeting. During the evening C. H. Stratton, president of the carpenters' union, gave a short talk on the aims and objects of the Building Trades council. The meeting adjourned to meet again at Assembly hall on Wednesday next. Four applications were received at last night's meeting, and all plasterers of the city are invited to attend next Wednesday night's meeting.

Retail Clerks' Annual.

The Retail Clerks' union held their semi-annual meeting in their rooms, 387 Wabasha street, last night. Among the important business transacted was a resolution requesting merchants of the city who employed clerks to give preference to members of the union when selecting clerks for discharge after the dull season commenced. By doing this the resolution said they would show that they had the interest of the men who had their interest at heart under consideration, as union men were trying to accomplish the best results for their employer. Owing to the very busy season of the clerks during the past ten days, the officers have not been able to prepare their reports, but these will be ready and submitted at the next regular meeting, which takes place on Tuesday evening next. The new officers elected for six months at last night's meeting are: President, A. M. Wilson; first vice president, James C. Downey; second vice president, Ellis Gleason; corresponding secretary, P. G. Belasell; financial secretary, F. X. Vernig; treasurer, J. E. Waters; guide, E. L. Stanford; guardian, C. M. Miles; trustees, Peter Hanson, E. L. Stanford and Robert Polski; delegates to the Trades and Labor assembly, J. C. Downey and F. X. Vernig.

The union has concluded to change its meeting night from the first and third Wednesday of each month to that of the first and third Tuesday, so that the first regular meeting of the new year will take place next Tuesday evening, when the newly elected officers will be installed. The new president will also appoint at this time the regular standing committees for the next six months. President Vernig said after the meeting of last night the story that was being told that the retail clerks would soon again take up their quarters in Assembly hall was without foundation.

Reduce Their Force Temporarily.

The past year has been one of the most prosperous for the Horne & Danz company during the past twenty years of its history. Jacob Danz, a member of the firm, in speaking to a reporter of The Globe, said last night:

"We have worked our plant up to its full capacity during the last year, employing something over 300 hands. Our average weekly pay roll has amounted to over $3,000. After last week we laid off a part of our hands because we are at present engaged in taking our annual inventory. But we will resume full operations again after New Years, and the next two years promise to be ones of prosperity with us, as we have within the last few weeks closed contracts that amount up into the thousands of dollars that will keep our factory going for all its worth for the next two years. This work comes to us from all parts of the country, and the new contracts spoken of cover a district in field which starts at Chicago and ends at the Pacific coast. We may be again obliged in the near future to make further improvements in our plant.

"I have just completed a patent that I would not now take $10,000 for. It is something that is going to be a great benefit to our line of business."

Plumbing Board's Report.

The state plumbing board, made up of A. W. Scott, of Minneapolis, chairman; John Watson, of Minneapolis, vice chairman; Dan Harrington, of St. Paul, secretary-treasurer, and J. E. Fitzgibbons, of St. Paul, and William Bradley, of Duluth, held a short session in the office of Building Inspector Haas last night. The meeting was called for the purpose of preparing the biennial report of the board for the governor. This is supposed to be ready for presentation about the 1st of March next, when the terms of the present board end. The report of the board will show the total amount of expenses for the past two years, and also other benefits of the board on behalf of the plumbers of the state. Several other meetings will be held by the board before their present work is completed.

Machine Woodworkers.

The Machine Woodworkers' union held their regular meeting at Assembly hall last night. Two members, Joseph Daly and Peter Peterson, were initiated. The committee that had charge of the last annual dance reported that the affair had been a financial success. The meeting elected George Essig, George Addison and John Haglin delegates to the building trades council, which is being formed in St. Paul at present. The reports of the financial secretary, treasurer and board of trustees will be ready for the next meeting, which takes place on Wednesday, Jan. 11, when the semi-installation of officers will also take place.

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IN THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace J. Brainerd celebrated their golden wedding last evening at the family home on St. Anthony avenue, Merriam Park. The affair was largely attended by territorial pioneers and early settlers of St. Paul. Mr. and Mrs. Brainerd have resided in St. Paul during their entire married life, ¾ with the exception of three years previous to 1851. The parlors were tastefully decorated with holly, evergreen and mistletoe. A large piece comprising figures in evergreen—"1848-1898"—was hung in the front parlor.

Mr. and Mrs. Brainerd were assisted in the reception by their daughter, Mrs. W. E. Chamberlin, and son Frank L. Brainerd, and the following ladies: Mrs. H. B. Dutcher, Mrs. David L. Kingsbury, Mrs. T. Bowman, Mrs. F. L. Brainerd, and the Misses Stauffer, Payne, Cowles and Chamberlin. Mrs. C. E. Swan, a granddaughter of the hosts, served punch.

The following were among those present: Harry Humason, Frank Everett, John McLean, George Geary, Dr. Flagg, Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Pope, Mr. and Mrs. William Pitt Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dearing, W. H. Hoyt, David L. Kingsbury, Rev. G. H. Ten Broeck, W. B. Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. Buckley, T. Gaskell, O. Tinker, Dr. Buckley, T. Gaskel, O. Lonegrin, Mr and Mrs. D. M. Sullivan, A. C. Woodruff, Miss Alice Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McCardy, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Milham, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Hoyt, J. H. Hoyt, Harry Titcomb and many others.

J. J. McCardy made a few remarks upon the felicity of the evening, followed by remarks by Rev. G. H. Ten Broeck. Music was furnished by Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Caucutt, Mrs. McLean, and Misses Hope, Payne and Stauffer, and a male quartette. Many beautiful gifts were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Brainerd.

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St. Paul Council No. 50 of the United Commercial Travelers of America gave their third social last evening, celebrating their fifth anniversary at their new quarters in the Elks' hall, Lowry arcade. Their old quarters were in the hall on the corner of West Sixth and Seventh streets. A large delegation from the Minneapolis council were present, and several of the smaller towns were represented.

The hall where the dancing took place was decorated with Christmas greens and the floor was in perfect condition. The dance programmes were very artistically gotten up, and contained sixteen numbers with three extras. The music was furnished by the Twin City Mandolin club.

Supper was served from 10:30 to 1 a. m. in the room opening off the main hall. There were six tables beautifully decorated with potted palms, roses and smilax.

The committee of arrangements was composed of J. J. Cook, L. H. Johnson, J. M. Dresser, H. R. Kittle and G. W. Rodgers.

Those who looked after the guests were: Messrs. H. C. Penfield, E. Bouquet, H. L. Parsons, C. W. Sample, T. J. Burke, G. W. Cahoon, E. M. Estey, W. W. Spence, F. E. Noble, E. E. Sharp, D. A. Murphy, R. F. Nachtrieb.

On the floor committee were Messrs. G. S. Wiseman, E. G. Spindler, G. H. Tully, H. G. Lutz, C. H. Hoyt, J. G. Bassett, J. D. Riley, L. E. Krieger, W. O. Barndt and T. F. Naughton.

It was in the wee sma' hours that the strains of "Home, Sweet Home" floated through the hall warning the guests that one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season was at an end.

Among those present were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barnach, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dubach, Mrs. S. C. McCoy, E. H. Nyhus, Mrs. C. W. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. G. Siebert, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stoltz, G. H. Brose, C. S. Bradt and wife, F. W. Baer and daughter, J. B. Burrows and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Gruber, of Lake City; S. J. Hutchins, Mrs. N. J. Harrison, L. A. Hertl, H. H. Holden, Miss Holden, L. H. Johns, C. E. Lothman, E. E. Mayer, of Hudson, Wis.; J. J. Cook, L. H. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dresser, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Kittle, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. W. Rodgers, H. C. Penfield, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bouquet, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Parsons, C. W. Sample, T. J. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cahoon, E. M. Estey, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Noble, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sharp, D. A. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Nachtrieb, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Wiseman, E. G. Spindler, G. H. Tully, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Lutz.

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The Saintly City Council No. 59, of the U. C. T. of A., are getting out a book which will be known as the U. C. T. Book of St. Paul. It will contain a complete history of the city with pictures of prominent buildings; also a history of the council with pictures of officers. There will be plenty of good advertisements and the book will undoubtedly redound to the credit of the order.

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Mrs. J. E. Moore has issued invitations for a reception to be held Friday, Jan. 6, at her home on Holly avenue. The reception is given for the purpose of introducing Miss Lillian R. Moore to the social world.

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This evening Miss Margaret Routh, of Holly avenue, and Miss Winifred Brill will give a german at Miss Brill's home, on Laurel avenue, for her classmates of the Central high school.

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Mrs. Eddy and Miss Jewett have issued invitations for a dancing party Saturday evening at the club hall.

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The county board of directors of ladies' auxiliary A. O. H. will give a hop at Central hall, Jan. 2, 1899. The Twin City Mandolin club will furnish the music.

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Frederick Baldy, of Portland avenue, has accepted the position of teacher in Latin in the Shattuck school at Faribault.

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Mrs. A. S. Bates, of Marshall avenue, is entertaining Mrs. M. H. Roberts, of Oaks, N. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Jefferson, of Summit avenue, are entertaining the following guests during the holidays: Mrs. William Smith, the Misses Smith and Will Smith, of Madison, Wis.; Mrs. Ellet and Miss Laura Ellet, of Colorado; Miss Lillian Smith, of Rockford, Ill.; Henry C. Murphy, of Evansville, Ind., and Mr. Hall, of Pittsburg.

Miss Carr, of Nelson avenue, is entertaining Miss Tower, of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gordon have returned from their wedding trip and will reside at 416 Laurel avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Neeley have returned from their wedding trip and will reside at the San Mateo, Laurel avenue.

Robert C. Polk, of Keston street, St. Anthony Park, has returned from Tacoma, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Stees, of Virginia avenue, are entertaining H. H. Fouse, of Philadelphia.

Miss Welch, of Dayton avenue, is entertaining Miss Corinne Dekay, of Red Wing.

Rev. A. D. Harmon, of the First Christian church, leaves today to assist in the dedication of a new Christian church at David City, Neb.

Mrs. James E. Megaw, of Ashland avenue, entertained the Whist-Cinch-Euchre club yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. A. W. Ritzinger entertained the Crocus Hill club at euchre yesterday afternoon at her home on Fairmount avenue.

Mrs. R. E. Dadmun, of Lincoln avenue, entertained the Midsummer Euchre club Tuesday afternoon.

This afternoon the Experts will play euchre at the home of Mrs. Fisher H. Tenney at the Elsinore.

Friday evening Miss Hattie McAllister, of Westminster street, will entertain the E. O. F. club at cards.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. George, of Summit court, will entertain the Entre Nous Euchre club Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Miss Maud Lewis, of University avenue, and Miss Kittie Hubbell will give a dancing party tomorrow evening at Woodruff's hall, Merriam Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kellerman, of East Seventh street, entertained at a Christmas dinner last evening. Covers were laid for ten. The decorations were roses, holly and other Christmas greens.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Rice, of Beech street, entertained at whist Monday evening.

Miss Julia Rogers entertained at a "French afternoon" yesterday in honor of Prof. and Madame Julien, of Paris, France.

Mrs. Conable, of Grand avenue, will entertain the Cycle History class Saturday.

Ben Hinliman, of this city, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Levy, of Duluth.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis S. Towle, of Laurel avenue, have returned from their Southern trip.

Miss Sweet, of Fargo, who has been visiting Mrs. H. W. Fagley, of Holly avenue, has gone to Chicago, where she will study music.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. White, of Marshall avenue, have returned from Red Wing.

Mrs. Howard Black, of Frankfort, Ky., is the guest of Mrs. P. M. Hennessy, of Western avenue.

NEEDS OF THE TROOPS

MILITIA OFFICERS WANT $90,000 AT THE HANDS OF THE LEGISLATURE

INCREASE COMPELS A RAISE

Old Members Say That the Efficiency of the Guard Must Be Impaired if It Tries to Get Along With Less—Capt. LeMay Discussed Relations of Officers and Men—National Guardsmen's Meeting.

One would hardly have detected at a glance at the National Guard association, when it held its annual meeting at Conover hall yesterday, that Minnesota had a regiment of troops as far away as Manila. But he might have observed on closer inspection that there were new faces to replace the old, and many of the old ones there had a southern sunburn, hardly bleached out yet even by the invigorating winters of Minnesota.

Gen. W. B. Bend presided at the session, which was much briefer than has usually been the case and much shorter than it might have been but for the recent decision of the supreme court sustaining the military code of 1897. Hitherto the sessions of the organization have had to devote considerable time to the adjustment of this code, and yesterday all this problem was out of the discussion, except as it was incidental to the question of finances.

The men of the guard, especially the old members, are insistent that they shall secure from the state an appropriation for the coming two years commensurate with the increase in the guard, for they figure that it is strictly an increase, as there is no doubt, apparently, that the Thirteenth will be back from Manila within the next two years, whether the fighting regiment desires to be re-enrolled in the ranks of the state guard or not. The addition of a regiment to the guard means the providing for about 800 or 900 men more than the last military appropriation provided for, and even then the appropriation was insufficient for the old organization of three infantry regiments and one artillery battalion.

The old members who participated in the discussion at the session yesterday morning were unanimous that the efficiency of the guard would be reduced if the enlarged guard was compelled to get along on anything short of the amount necessary for the full equipment of the troops as organized.

After some argument it was decided to refer the matter to a committee, along with other questions of interest to the guard.

After lunch at the Commercial club, the committee, consisting of Col. Bobleter, of the Second regiment, chairman; Col. Van Duzee, Lieut. Col. Johnson and Maj. Wright, of the Third; Maj. Libby, of the artillery battalion; Col. Hamlin and Lieut. Col. March, of the Fourth regiment, and Capt. Lambert, of the artillery, appointed to draw up the outlines of a plan for reorganization, reported, asking $75,000 for camp and general expenses and $15,000 for uniforms.

This met with a satisfactory reception, and the committee also recommended that the guard should be reorganized on the same basis as the regular army and kept in such shape that it could be called out for active service at any time.

The committee further recommended that the legislature be asked to provide armories for the companies, or at least to make a liberal provision for armories, and especially in St. Paul and Minneapolis.

The consensus of opinion was that armories should be built in these two cities which would be a credit to the state and to the guard. In communities where there were single companies it might, perhaps, be more economical to rent quarters, but, if the state would make a reasonable provision for the rent, the citizens could no doubt be persuaded to provide adequate and creditable meeting places for the boys.

One of the interesting features of the afternoon session was a paper by Capt. Le May, of the Twelfth regiment, Winona, who read a paper urging a stricter discipline in the guard. At Camp Thomas and later at Knoxville Capt. Le May was accused by the men under him of being a pretty severe disciplinarian, and he commended to the officers yesterday the policy of refraining from social intimacy with the men of their commands, such intimacy having an inclination to be subversive of discipline, which, while not especially noticeable in the ordinary affairs of the guard, had a tendency to make such discipline appear harsher than was agreeable when a time of emergency compelled its enforcement.

The association appointed a permanent committee on legislation for the session, which, in view of Col. Hamlin's request to be left off, was constituted as follows:

Col. Joseph Bobleter, of the Second; Col. C. A. Van Duzee, of the Third; Lieut. Col. Price, of the First; Maj. E. D. Libbey, of the artillery, and Lieut. Col. C. H. March, of the Fourth infantry.

An invitation to attend the Lind reception Tuesday evening was accepted with thanks, and the members of the association decided to attend, as far as possible, in fatigue uniform, with side arms.

THIRD GETTING READY.

Hurrying Preparations for Its Trip to Manila.

No orders for the Third regiment were received yesterday at the Army building, but the officials are hurrying preparations to equip it and put it in readiness for its expected transfer to the Philippines. It is not yet known what regiment will be sent to Snelling to relieve the Third, and it is not believed that the department will issue any definite orders for the Third's departure until the relieving regiment has been selected, and perhaps sent here.

While the officers are waiting they are getting rid as rapidly as possible of the men who are entitled to their discharge from the Third. The Army building yesterday swarmed with members of the regiment looking for their final papers and pay. There are 340 men in the regiment who are entitled to discharge, and with but few exceptions all will quit, as they do not care to go to Manila. As rapidly as possible their places will be filled with recruits who will be enlisted for the full term of three years. It is Col. Page's wish that the regiment shall be as nearly full as possible when it leaves this city for the Philippines.

It is not yet settled whether the regiment will embark at New York or San Francisco.

BEMENT COMING HOME.

Will Leave the Service and Resume His Position.

Maj. Bement, who went to Manila, is now on his way home to be discharged from the service. He sailed from Manila in the steamer Senator, which will be due to arrive in San Francisco in a few days. He will probably arrive in St. Paul about the middle of January.

Maj. Bement expects to resume his position in the water department upon his return to St. Paul.

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THEIR REPORT ON WISCONSIN PLAN

STATE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS AND CHARITIES HAVE PREPARED IT

While Much of the Badger State System Commends Itself, the Local Board Isn't in Favor of Abolishing All Boards.

The state board of corrections and charities, at its meeting yesterday in the state house, completed its report on the advisability of adopting the Wisconsin system for the care of the insane in this state. The board, by resolution passed by the last legislature, was directed to make an investigation of the so-called "Wisconsin plan."

The report recommends the adoption of this system for Minnesota and exhaustively recites the merits of the system, as compared with the present one in vogue in this state.

Naturally the board is adverse to the part of the plan which proposes to abolish the state board of corrections and charities, and put all institutions under a board of control, similar to that in Wisconsin. In its report to the legislature, on this point, it will say:

There are some provisions in the Wisconsin law that we deem it neither necessary not desirable to be written into any legislation you may determine to adopt. We refer especially to the provision creating a state board of control, having exclusive supervision of all the correctional, penal and eleemosynary institutions of the state.

While conceding that arguments in favor of such a board in Wisconsin have much force, we are nevertheless fully convinced that its creation in this state is not demanded by any exigencies of the situation, since we now have a board of trustees for the insane, composed of able and conscientious gentlemen, who would discharge the additional duties pertaining to the supervision of county asylums with the same zeal and disinterestedness as have hitherto characterized their service for the state. Besides, to create a new board, with a liberal salary list, would, we fear, invite the active interposition of the spoilsman and tend to place in the hands of political partisans those positions of trust that heretofore, to the great credit of our state, have been bestowed in recognition of fitness alone.

The report will be presented to the legislature next week.

FAREWELL BANQUET TENDERED GOV. CLOUGH

MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF ENTERTAIN HIS EXCELLENCY AT THE WINDSOR

Congressmen Eddy and Tawney Drop in Opportunely and Add Not a Little to the Pleasure of the Occasion.

Gov. Clough was tendered a farewell banquet by his staff at the Windsor last evening. Twenty-two covers were laid, and Congressmen Eddy and Tawney came in during the last course and told stories of congressional life at Washington. It was largely an informal affair, and Adjt. Gen. Muehlberg officiated as toastmaster. Addresses were made by the governor and by Gen. Muehlberg, and every one present was called on for a response. During the banquet a flash-light group picture was taken.

Those present were: Gov. D. M. Clough, Brig. Gen. S. E. Olson, Brig. Gen. J. M. Dement, Brig. Gen. John F. Fulton, Col. C. F. Pusch, Col. L. W. Campbell, Col. Robert Seng, Col. C. H. Marsh, Col. J. T. Conley, Col. L. B. Cook, Col. C. J. Monfort, Col. A. L. Alness, Col. Roland H. Hartley, Lieut. Col. H. S. Saylor, Lieut. Col. F. C. Barrows, Lieut. Col. M. M. Gasser, Lieut. Col. E. H. Hobe, Lieut. Col. Edward Boeckman, Maj. S. S. McKinley, Maj. I. W. Bouck and Capt. M. S. Converse.

FOURTH WARD DEMOCRATS.

Important Meeting Is Called for Friday Evening at Pfeffer's Hall.

The Fourth ward Democratic organization will meet tomorrow night at Pfeffer's hall. All precinct chairmen and committeemen are requested to be present.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Not Subject to Special Tax.

The application of the city treasurer for judgment against the Northwestern Telephone Exchange company for its proportionate share of the expense of building a sewer on Cedar street, was yesterday denied by Judge Kelly.

The company urged objections to granting the application on the ground that under the state law it pays a gross earnings tax, and is not, therefore, subject to special or other taxation.

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Elected Its Officers.

At the annual election of St. Paul Forum No. 492, held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Rev. William Oehler, president; John A. Moak, vice president; Adolph Oberg, secretary; W. F. Moritz, treasurer; Dr. C. T. Fulton, medical examiner; Gustaf Larson, historian.

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SIXTEEN ARE LAID UP

TWELVE FIREMEN SUFFERING FROM GRIP, FOUR FROM EXPOSURE AT DULUTH

CHIEF COOK'S FORCE SHORT

So He Reports to a Meeting of the Fire Board—A Contract for Hose Lost to a Company Because Its Bid Contained a Clause Calling for the Payment of Interest.

At a meeting of the fire board held last evening Tate & Co., of Chicago, were awarded the contract for furnishing the department with 2,000 feet of White Anchor hose, at $1 per foot, and 500 feet of chemical engine hose at 36 cents per foot.

The Gutta Percha Hose company, of Chicago, handed in bids at the same figure, but as the bid provided for 7 per cent interest on deferred payments Tate & Co. secured the entire contract. It has been the custom for the board to divide up the contract between the two firms, but the interest clause in the Gutta Percha company's bid prevented this.

Chief Cook reported twelve men sick with grip in the department, and that four of the company which was sent to the coal dock fire at West Superior were also sick with pneumonia and fever caused by exposure and the fumes of the coal gas.

Griggs Bros. were awarded the contract for furnishing the department with 10,000 bushels of oats and 275 tons of hay. The figures of the successful bidder were 28⅜ cents for oats and $5.30 for hay.

Chief Cook recommended the purchase of 115,000 common brick to build a hospital stable at No. 10 engine house on Randolph street and a new stable at engine house No. 4, Tenth street and Broadway; also, 41,000 Chaska sewer brick and 33,000 vitrified brick for new floors in stables at central fire hall, and engine houses at Delos and Clinton streets and Tenth street and Broadway. The secretary was authorized to advertise for the brick.

The communication from C. W. Horr as to the purchase by the department of appliances to allow street cars to be operate while hose was stretched across the tracks was reported back from the committee on machinery with the statement that the department was not the proper party to furnish the appliances.

ST. PAUL BREVITIES.

Suit on a promissory Note—Suit was begun in the district court yesterday by the Security Trust company, as guardian of Ole A. Sather and Annie Sather, against Nels J. Ness and J. W. Makinson to recover $600, alleged to be due on a promissory note. The same plaintiff also sues Nels J. Ness and Christian Herrmeyer on a promissory note for an additional $600.

Central Prohibition Club—The Central Prohibition club will meet tonight at prohibition headquarters.

AT THE THEATERS.

The audiences at the Metropolitan are increasing nightly, and rightly so, for "Incog," as presented by the Woodward Stock company, is certainly deserving of good patronage. There will be but four more performances of this excellent play, there being a popular price matinee Saturday, closing with a performance in the evening.

The announcement of "Cyrano de Bergerac" as the bill for next week at the Metropolitan has created a demand for tickets which makes it look as though the big crowds of the opening weeks of the Woodward engagement would be surpassed by those who will witness the famous Rostand play. There is this to account for the interest manifest, no stronger bill than "Cyrano" could be selected. It is the particular sensation in a dramatic way at the present time, and in the few cities where it has been seen has drawn as many people to the theater with each performance as the houses could hold. There will be a special matinee Monday. The sale of seats for "Cyrano" is now open, and there will be no advance in the prices that have prevailed during the Woodward engagement.

Each succeeding performance of "At Gay Coney Island" at the Grand serves to emphasize the fact that local theater goers are decidedly partial to comedy, and especially so when it is served up in an appetizing manner with plenty of bright, catchy music and a host of fetching vaudeville features.

What is "El Capitan?" It is a laugh, a glorious, tuneful, merry, musical, heartful, hilarious laugh from the rise of the curtain until the going down of the same. To dull, uninspiring, small-paced lives, it is as soothing and sweet as musk rose upon new made hay. The present visit of "El Capitan," which is set for New Year's week at the Grand, will introduce an entirely new and efficient company and the same wealth of scenic display and picturesque dressing which were notable features of previous engagements. There will be a special New Year's matinee Monday, Jan. 2.

AT THE HOTELS.

ASTORIA—E. J. Olsen, St. Croix Falls, Wis.; W. M. Cain, Harmon, Minn.; Walter Jacobs, Aberdeen, S. D.; E. A. Haverstic, A. N. Anderson, St. Louis, Mo.; J. W. Johnson, Henning; Chas. R. Wall, Cottonwood, Minn.; D. P. O'Neill, Ortonville, Minn.; J. J. Dow, Faribault; C. E. Chase, Anoka; D. Meyers, Northfield; A. V. Jones, C. B. Reed, I. B. Sherwood, Duluth; M. H. Wagner, Dubuque, Io.; Jas. H. Maybury, Geo. B. Johnson, St. Cloud; J. C. Morrison, Mora; Fred J. Vail, L. M. Abbott, Ashland, Wis.; A. S. Terpin, Anna, Ill.; Jas. Dervin, Rochester; F. E. Hansen, Spring Valley.

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