

WEST SIDE PROTEST

PROPERTY OWNERS OBJECT TO SWEEPING ORDERS FOR NEW SIDEWALKS

PLAN TO BESIEGE COUNCIL WITH THEIR OBJECTIONS

Sidewalk Inspectors Say That Miles of Walks on the West Side Are Dangerous to Life and Limb—Board of Public Works Indorses the Report—Concessions Made to Owners.

West side property owners think they have a grievance and they are preparing to descend upon the council at its next meeting for the purpose of stalling it. It is all owing to a sweeping order calling for a general laying of wooden and cement sidewalks.

Last week the sidewalk inspectors employed by the city engineering department visited the West side, and their return a few days later was marked by the filing of a large number of preliminary sidewalk orders, indorsed as imperative. The sidewalks specified were several miles in length and covered no less than eight streets. According to the report of the inspectors the majority of the sidewalks existing in wooden affairs, many of them rotted out beyond repair, and so dangerous to life and limb that their immediate reconstruction was necessary. From all accounts the West side had been omitted in the sidewalk improvements made in past years.

Sidewalks Are Dangerous.

When the orders were brought before the board of public works at its meeting Monday, a large number of the property owners interested appeared, and protested on the ground that the condition of their walks had been misrepresented. Yesterday the board visited the district affected and their examination practically indorsed the report made by the inspectors from the engineering department. The board, however, decreased the list slightly by striking out those walks, which it was thought could be left for another year. The others were found to be positively dangerous and the order for cement construction was confirmed. Notice to this effect was served on the property owners.

The district in which these bad walks exist is that west of prospect Heights and approached by the high bridge. The majority of the sidewalks are the property of the city, and in consequence owners, however, are opposed to cement construction, claiming that a few additional planks is all that is necessary. They are preparing to carry their grievances before the council, and if the orders appear before that body for confirmation at its next meeting, they will be there.

JUDGE LEWIS AFFIRMS ORDER IN GURNEY CASE

Mrs. Adeline Gurney Gets \$5,000 From the Estate.

Judge Lewis, in the district court, yesterday filed his decision in the matter of the estate of Henry D. F. Gurney, deceased, in which he affirms the order of the probate court allowing the claim of Mrs. Adeline Gurney against the estate of her father, Henry D. F. Gurney, deceased, for \$5,000.

Henry Gurney, father of Henry D. F. Gurney, and husband of Mrs. Adeline Gurney, died intestate in 1890, and his son inherited most of the property, which was incumbent, Mrs. Adeline Gurney supported the son after the death of the father, and in 1896 the husband came of age. The son died in 1900, and when the estate came up for probate Mrs. Gurney filed her claim for \$5,000 against the estate, as the amount of her expenses incurred. Judge Bazille allowed the claim, and J. R. King, administrator of the estate, appealed from the decision of the probate court, with the above results.

Two Sent to Rochester.

Three insane cases were examined in the probate court yesterday, and of these two were sent to Rochester and one was discharged. The one discharged was Mary Helmuth, a woman of sixty years of age, who has been at the detention hospital for the past few days, supposed to be suffering from delusions.

Frederick Peterson, a man, who attempted an assault on Deputy Sheriff Johnson, was committed to Rochester. Sophie Pottleser, forty-five years old, was found to be suffering from delusions on many subjects, and was accordingly committed to Rochester Insane Hospital by Court Commissioner Galbreath. Judge of probate, A. S. Taylor, who is suffering from delusions on many subjects, was accordingly committed to Rochester Insane Hospital by Court Commissioner Galbreath.

Two Ask For Divorce.

Mrs. Mary Williams has commenced an action in the district court to secure a divorce from her husband, Henry Williams, who she says is a race horse licker. She charges cruel and inhuman treatment, and cites instances when he is alleged to have kicked and struck her. She is thirty-two years old, and he is thirty. They were married at

Windsor, Ont., June 13, 1894, and have one child, a boy four years old. The plaintiff asks for \$100 attorney's fees, \$25 per month alimony, and the custody of the child.

Minnie Werner has commenced an action in the district court to get a divorce from her husband, Henry Werner, on the ground of desertion. They were married in St. Paul, on April 24, 1877, and the plaintiff is forty-two years of age and the defendant forty-six.

TEMPERATURE GOOD FOR MINNESOTA CROP

Government Report Indicates Healthy and Rapid Growth of all Vegetation.

The government climate and crop service bulletin for Minnesota for the past week is summarized as follows:

The temperatures during the week have been favorable to a healthy and rapid growth of all vegetation; the temperatures at several points, in Kittson and Marshall counties there has been a rain during the week, but elsewhere there have been showers somewhere in the state on one or more days of the week, those on the 24th and 25th being most widely distributed. Some of the showers were very heavy locally, and some were attended by severe hailstorms which ruined standing grain in comparatively small areas; the hailstorms visited parts of Kandiyohi, Renneville, Redwood, Brown and Blue Earth counties. In some places high winds and heavy rains lodged and tangled grain so badly that it will be difficult to gather. In south, central and southeastern counties the showers following the heavy rains of the 19th have made the ground so soft that in many fields hedges cannot be used till the soil dries. Spring wheat continues promising except in small areas in the South, where there is rust; it is generally in the well being and filling well, and in southern portions it is ripening rapidly; in a few places a little has already been cut. Winter wheat is in the early stages of ripening, and it is ripening; the later crop is not so good. Corn has grown rapidly, and it is generally in tassel, though rather small for the season. Potatoes are late. There is a heavy second growth of clover.

PREDICTS BIG BOOM FOR THE NORTHWEST

A. H. Smith Says Banner Crops Assured Means Lots of Money Let Loose This Fall.

A. H. Smith, of Duluth, says the Northwest will have the biggest boom in its history this fall. If nothing happens to mar the next few weeks of the crops, he thinks more money will go into the West than ever before. He says: "I have been out along the Great Northern and down the Soo road, and it is the first trip I ever made out there when there was absolutely no complaint about the weather. I can see little chance of anything interfering with this outcome in the next two weeks except hail, and that would be purely local. A wet harvest would simply do what it has done in the past, and it is not likely to affect the yield. The people out there are all land crazy. The crops are tremendous, and I do not see how the railroad is going to handle it all. There will be trouble about getting enough labor to handle the harvest, too.

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BRIDGES IN DEMAND

APPROPRIATIONS FOR NEW STRUCTURES WILL FORM BIG ITEM IN BUDGET

OVER \$200,000 NEEDED TO SUPPLY THE DEMAND

Third Street Bridge to Be Extended to Hoffman Avenue, and Edgerton Street Bridge to Be Reconstructed—Smaller Demands Likely to Be Postponed.

New steel bridges and the repairing of many of the old structures promises to be a heavy item when the 1903 budget comes up for consideration in November. The amount asked for will not be far short of \$200,000, and this may be increased if the demands of certain localities bear fruit.

The heaviest touch that will be made will be by the residents of Dayton's Bluff, who demand that the Third street bridge be extended to Hoffman avenue. The sum of \$65,000 now proposed in the city treasury, appropriated last year for this work, but it will have to be increased to \$100,000 before anything can be done. For the Edgerton street structure \$25,000 was set aside for its construction, but it is insufficient. To build the bridge complete nearly \$65,000 will be required.

Smaller Bridges to Suffer.

The extension of the Third street bridge and the rebuilding of the Edgerton street bridge have been promised, and it is not probable that the two bodies of the council will go back on them, but it is the smaller demands that will likely suffer. In various parts of the city now cut off from communication by reason of railroad tracks, requests are being prepared for bridges, but it is hardly possible that the requests will be entertained. The railroad companies, wherever possible, will be made to supply the demand.

The oldest steel bridge now owned by St. Paul is the structure over the Mississippi river at Fort Snelling. It was originally built by the county in 1880 and cost nearly \$172,000. In respect to cost it is only distanced by three other bridges in St. Paul, the high bridge, which required the sum of \$478,772 to build; the Robert street bridge, which cost \$318,000, and the Wabasha street bridge, the rebuilding of which took \$294,000. So far the repairs to the Snelling bridge, which includes reflagging, has been about \$3,000.

St. Paul has about sixty bridges, the majority of which are steel. There are only five stone bridges in the city. Their combined length is about five miles and the total cost, not including the repairs made since erection, is nearly \$3,900,000.

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ELI WARNER CAN SEE THE BREAKERS AHEAD

Republican Whodhorse Admits His Party is Next to Trouble in This Country.

Eli Warner, one of the uncrowned kings of the Republican party and keystone of the Big Four, in an interesting speech yesterday admitted the political trunks, and from the standpoint of a practical politician makes several pertinent objections.

Warner says that Minnesota delegation to congress next March. Beyond the positive assertion that Forney will be elected in the Fifth district, if he can get the Democratic nomination, Mr. Warner does not make any congressional concessions to the Democrats, but there are no qualifications with reference to Mr. Lind. Warner says:

"Lind is popular. He is an able man and a good campaigner. Lind has the confidence of the people, especially strong with his own people, and that will mean success for him. Hennepin is the Scandinavian stronghold of the Democrats, and it is not likely that the primary election laws as applied to the nomination of candidates for the district will be so amended as to give the Democrats a better chance than they now have. He will not go overwholly Republican for the state ticket."

KRAHMER SET FOR BIGGER GAME

Republicans Say 'All Factions Will Unite on Keller for Auditor.'

Republican rumor has it that Charles Keller, chief deputy in County Auditor Johnson's office, is to have a clear field for the Republican nomination to succeed his chief. The politicians say that all the Republicans will unite on Keller to make the fight for a lifetime for the retention of the auditor's office. This means the withdrawal of Former Mayor Dennis E. G. Kraemer, who is expected and who is expected to enter the field, backed by the Kiefer interests, to gain not only the office but indirectly to repair some of the party prestige which his ringers have despoiled the 'goofies.'

The scheme appealed to Kraemer for a while after this candidacy for the prospect of Keller's departure can find little comfort in the promises of August. August generally manages to make a warm weather record of its own. The records of the local weather bureau show that during the past thirty-one years the mean, or normal, temperature for the month of August averaged 79 degrees. This year, however, it was 77, and the coldest August was in 1890, which had a mean temperature of 65. The warmest August day known in thirty-one years was Aug. 4, 1906, which registered an even 100 degrees, and the coldest was Aug. 23, 1891, which had a temperature of 40 degrees.

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GRIST OF THE POLITICAL MILL

No opposition to Representative Philip Martin for the Democratic nomination in the Fifth ward end of the Thirty-fifth senatorial district has developed and Mr. Martin's friends say they will administer to his needs as an energetic campaigner, and while he is backed up by the prestige of only one term and the traditional claim to be elected to the office, he is not allowed the grass to grow under his feet. He is a tireless worker, deeply interested in everything that came before the house and an indomitable "woodchuck" hunter. He is a former member of the queer, met a doughy, opponent in Mr. Martin and many times he turned his eloquence on proposed legislation of questionable merit with telling effect.

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HOTTEST DAY OF YEAR

YESTERDAY OLD SOL BROKE ALL RECORDS FOR 1902, WITH A TEMPERATURE OF 88

WARMEST DAY OF THAT DATE IN TEN YEARS

Some Consolation in Fact That July Last Year Was Far Hotter—More Hot Weather Likely Next Month—August Figures for Last Thirty-one Years.

Yesterday was the hottest day St. Paul has known this year, and the average citizen is hoping sincerely that it may prove to be the hottest day of the year 1902 as recorded. According to the government figures it was 88 degrees, with a minimum temperature for the day of 77 1/2. Incidentally it was the hottest day of the year in ten years. The ordinary every-day thermometers, of course, registered much higher than the official figures, running as high as 92 and 94 degrees.

The only day of the year thus far to approach yesterday in heat was, strange to say, April 21, when the thermometer registered 87 degrees. On this day last year the temperature was 81. While July is generally looked upon as the hottest month of the year, there is considerable consolation in comparing this month with the July of last year, which was a record-breaker, with thirteen days above 92 degrees.

Not So Hot as Last Year.

On July 19, last year, the mean temperature was 96 degrees, while July 19 this year was very comfortable with a mean temperature of only 68. July 20 registered 101, in 1901, and but 75 this year. July 21 last year was 95, and this year 75. July 22 registered 94, and this year the same day registered 80. July 23 last year registered 101, and July 24, 104, while the same day this year registered but 84 degrees each. So up to yesterday the July temperature this year has been remarkably cool in comparison with last year.

The weather man will not say that yesterday's record will stand, and intimates that July will go out with a bang, and that the standard for heat. He also predicts thunder storms, with probable showers for this locality.

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THOUSANDS AT HARRIET CITY LOSES BY MISTAKE

PUBLIC BATHS PROVE POPULAR HOT WEATHER RESORT

SEWER CONTRACTOR IS \$500 AHEAD BECAUSE OF ERROR.

Over 25,000 Visitors to the Island Yesterday, and So Many Bathers That Accommodations Were Taxed—Dr. Ohage Waits to Build New Gymnasium Next Year.

Harriet island and its pools were a haven of refuge for thousands of sweltering persons yesterday. From the opening to the close at 11 o'clock last night its cooling waters gave solace to between 2,000 and 3,000 persons, not to speak of the crowds that gathered in the shady groves and filled the promenade.

From 7 to 10 o'clock last night was the rush period, the bathers coming in the estimate of lineal feet made by the city engineering department. In figuring up the number of lineal feet, however, after the system had been put in it was found that a mistake of ninety of more feet had been made. Preston being ahead of the game that much.

No Deduction Made.

All contracts made by the city contain a stipulation taking care of such mistakes and an attempt was made to deduct under it. Preston appealed to the legal department and Corporation Attorney Markham yesterday found in his favor. The department contends that as Mr. Preston bid a lump sum for the job any mistakes made by the city in figuring cannot be laid at his door. Had the amount of sewer laid been in excess of the estimate the contractor would have had to suffer the loss and Mr. Markham thinks it is a poor rule that won't work both ways.

The provision in the printed contract providing for any errors in computation or discrepancies in plans, compelling the contractor to suffer any loss arising from such has always been in existence, but this is the first time it was ever questioned. Heretofore any loss suffered by the mistake had been satisfactorily explained. In this case, however, the contractor is ahead.