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City News.

Losses Residence by Fire—Fire destroyed the residence of John Kusick, 1339 East Fourth street, yesterday morning. The loss sustained by Kusick is estimated at about \$700. No insurance.

Coal Hole Was Left Open—James Grace, seventy-one years old, has brought suit against the Schmidt Brewing company in Justice Hoff's court for \$100 damages, caused by falling into a coal hole alleged to have been negligently left open.

Somerfield Is Held—H. D. Somerfield, charged with the theft of two diamond earrings and \$2 from the apartments of Stella Fremont, was bound over to the grand jury yesterday, after a preliminary hearing in the municipal court.

House Is Burned—Early yesterday morning the residence of Frank Norbach, 866 Ottawa street, was burned to the ground. A defective flue was the cause, and the loss will reach \$800.

Hunt Company Changes Name—The articles of the Philip B. Hunt Company of Minneapolis have been amended so as to change the name to the Hunt Perfect Baking Powder company, and increase the capital stock to \$35,000.

Stock Is Paid Up—Officers of the Sterling Manufacturing Company of Minneapolis, engaged in the making of clothing, report to the secretary of state that the \$75,000 capital stock is now paid in and is held by William A. Clark, Robert M. Stoddard and Jennie Taylor.

Mayor Smith Goes to Hoosierdom—Mayor Smith will leave tomorrow evening for Southern Indiana, where he will spend about two weeks visiting relatives and the scenes of his youth. He was born in Booneville. During his absence from the city President Hoover's plans for the common council, will officiate as executive.

Mississippi Owners Will Be Heard—A second street property owners will be heard at a hearing by the board of public works this afternoon on the proposition to pave their street. Brick has already been decided upon for a portion of it, but it is expected at the hearing today that asphalt, because of its cheapness, will prevail.

Peck Says It Was Not Him—Clarence Peck, indicted for grand larceny in the first degree in connection with the robbery of E. C. Lewis' jewelry store on the night of Nov. 23 last, was arraigned before Judge Kelly yesterday morning, and entered a plea of not guilty. Being unable to furnish bonds, he was remanded to jail.

Deposits Made Now Will Be Entitled to Five Months' Interest July 1 at The State Savings Bank.

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We are Sole Agents for Batavia Canned Goods.

3-lb cans Peas	32c
Small Wash Tub, each	47c
2-lb cans Sugar Corn	10c
2-lb cans Strawberries, fine	10c
2-lb cans Tomatoes	9c
Navy Beans, fancy, per lb.	\$2.25
Naval Oranges, fancy, large, bushel	\$1.50
Box	\$2.75
New York Dutch	30c
1-lb can Pure Fruit Jam	12c
1-lb jars Monarch Jam	20c
1-lb jars Monarch Preserves	25c
Our Extra Import Cheese, per lb.	18 to 20c
Good Cheese	14c

Apples and Peaches.
We have a special carload of the best California Peaches and Appriots that have ever been packed. These are usually sold at prices from 40c to 50c per can. We offer:

Fancy Appriots	Per Doz. Can.	\$2.25
Fancy Appriots	1.85	18c
Legal Peaches	2.00	25c
Fancy Peaches	2.00	25c
2 dozen cans of above in case.		
Pure Apple Butter, per lb.		35c
Rutabaga Turnips, bushel		35c
Red Onions, bushel		40c
Best Queen Olives, bushel		55c

We are sole agents for Sylmar Grove Olive Oil, per bottle, 35c, 55c and \$1.00.
Huckins' Soups, 50c cases, to close out, 18c
Good Lemons, dozen, 10c

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MOTHER THREATENS TO POISON HER CHILDREN

Case of Destitute Widow With Two Boys and a Girl Is Puzzling the St. Paul Relief Society — Family Has Been Dependent Upon Charity for Seven Years.

The St. Paul Relief society is puzzling over a difficult case. A widow with three children, two boys and a girl, has for the past seven years been depending almost altogether upon the various charitable organizations for support. The woman is able to do a little fancy work, but

ST. PAUL MEN GO TO CONQUER.

Commission Men Want to Bring Convention to Minnesota Next Year.



A. AMMON.



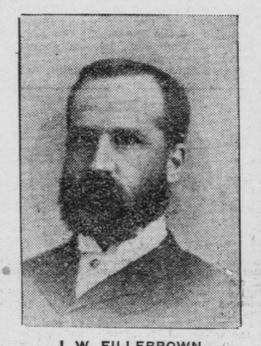
E. D. TUBBESING.



R. A. DURKEE.



W. A. TILDEN.



J. W. FILLBROWN.



J. S. MOODY.

Local commission men, to the number of about thirty last evening in a special car over the Rock Island route for Chicago where they will attend the annual meeting of the National League of Commission Men of the United States. They expect to be absent about one week and will participate in matters and discussions of particular interest to commission and produce men of the Northwest.

The delegation will make an effort to bring the convention to St. Paul next year though they go hampered with the fact that the delegates from the South have a decided antipathy to Minnesota weather, especially at this time of year. There will be about 5,000 delegates in attendance at Chicago and the convention, if it could be held there, would be a big card for the Savioury City. The delegation which left last night included R. A. Durkee, F. L. Grautman, W. A. Tilden, August Ammon, A. L. Tepler, Edward Tubbesing, J. W. Fillebrown, J. B. Redpath, John Whitacker, Joe Moody, E. B. Emerson and W. A. Murphy.

not enough to earn sufficient money to support herself and children. The family lives in a wretched hovel on Pleasant avenue, where the children are surrounded by the worst influences.

Threatens to Poison Children.
The relief society has made an effort to have the two boys sent to an orphan asylum, but the mother refuses to part with them, declaring that if any effort is made to take them from her she will poison the children. Moreover, Judge Bazille refused to commit them to an asylum unless the mother gives her consent.

Mr. Stohr, a member of the executive committee, presented the case to the society yesterday at its annual meeting held in Relief hall. Unless something is done for the children, he declared, they would grow up to be paupers, and possibly criminals. One of the boys is eleven years old, but shows no disposition to work. Mr. Stohr suggested that perhaps if her source of supplies was shut off, the woman might consent to give up the children for a time.

D. R. Noyes who was present at the meeting yesterday, said he thought this would be an unwise thing to do, as it might incite the mother to harm her children. The executive committee was finally instructed to make another effort to induce Judge Bazille to commit the children.

President Alexander Ramsey presided at yesterday's meeting. Mrs. T. L. Blood, superintendent of the Industrial school of the relief society, reported yesterday that the school had exhausted its fund, and that unless \$25 more could be obtained the school would not be able to allow the children to keep the garments they had made. The \$25 was voted, and Mrs. Blood and her assistant, Mrs. Gardner Moore, were given a vote of thanks for their efficient work.

Re-elect the Officers.
Upon resolution it was decided to hold annual and semi-annual, instead of quarterly meetings of the society hereafter. All the officers and the members of the executive board were re-elected. Dr. Edward H. Whitcomb replaces Henry A. Merrill on the executive committee.

Secretary Hutchins' report stated that if it were not for the coal famine, the condition of St. Paul's poor would be most encouraging. The scarcity of coal and the high price of that which was to be had had occasioned much suffering and had put the society to much extra expense. Mr. Hutchins was yesterday re-elected secretary of the board and agent of the society.

METZDORF GETS MORE THAN 80 PER CENT

County Treasurer's Collections Exceed the Average of Former Years.

County Treasurer Metzdorf yesterday turned over to City Treasurer Bremer \$19,000, the remnant of last year's collections. Under ordinary conditions the several city departments never expect more than 80 per cent of their appropriations as a greater per cent of the taxes than that is seldom collected. With the addition of the \$19,000, last year's collections are now considerably over 80 per cent.

Jury Cuts Down the Estimate.
A jury in Judge Brill's court yesterday awarded to Samuel J. Johnson damages in the sum of \$25 for injuries sustained by his five-year-old son at the hands of Neil Johnson. The plaintiff alleged that Neil Johnson had thrown a club and severely injured the boy, and brought suit for \$1,000 damages. The jury, after being out three hours, awarded him \$25.

Deposit your savings with the Security Trust Company, New York Life Bldg.

TORNADOES CAUSE VERY FEW LOSSES

Cyclone Insurance Now in Force Amounts to Over \$2,500,000.

According to the report of the secretary of the Farmers' Home Mutual Tornado and Cyclone Insurance company, read at the annual meeting at the capitol yesterday, the losses for the year were only \$1,638.65. The policies in force at the close of the year 1922 numbered 1,932, and the amount of insurance in force, \$2,598,747; the increase in the number of policies during the year was 576 and the increase in the amount of insurance, \$319,271. President L. H. Bullis presided at the session, and eighty delegates attended. A motion to amend the by-laws so as to provide for the taking out of policies for a term of five years was voted down. A number of minor changes were made in the by-laws, and the following directors were elected: H. E. Moehnik, Dover; L. H. Bullis, West Concord; J. J. Furlong, Austin; L. B. Yates, Madella; August Minske, Waseca; A. D. Stewart, Redwood Falls; Ole Fritten, Sleepy Eye; P. H. Grogan, St. James; R. J. Hall, Morris.

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HE WARNS FARMERS ABOUT EXPENSE OF HAIL INSURANCE

Commissioner Dearth Says That Too Much Money Is Paid to Agents—Declares That the Business Must Be Protected for Business Would Be Always Unsatisfactory.

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STREET CARS COLLIDE AT SEVEN CORNERS

Selby Avenue Car Is Struck by a Car on Seventh Street.

A street car collision in which the passengers on three cars were badly shaken up and frightened, and considerable damage done to rolling stock, occurred at Seventh and Fourth streets yesterday morning.

One of the large cars on the Grand avenue line was bowling along at a rapid speed on Seventh street. Just ahead of the Grand avenue car were the cars of the Selby avenue line, on the Port Snelling line. The rule of the company is that all cars on the Seventh street line must stop at the crossing of the Selby avenue line, the cars on the hill line having the right of way.

The motorer in charge of the Port Snelling car and driver brought his train to stop, in order to allow a Selby car going west to pass. The motorer on the Grand avenue car failed to reduce the speed of his car, or put on the brakes, and collided with the trailer, throwing it from the track.

The force of the collision drove the other Port Snelling car, the Selby by avenue car, which was passing, and for a few seconds there was great excitement among the passengers of the three cars.

Fortunately none of the passengers was seriously injured, although several were shaken up. Selby avenue car were struck by broken glass.

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FEDERAL COURTS BEGIN WORK ON CALENDAR

Eight of the Twenty Cases Slatel Are Settled Out of Court.

The January term of the United States circuit and district court opened in the circuit court room of the federal building yesterday morning, with Judge Lochren on the bench. The grand jury was given its instructions by the court. H. G. Hayes, of Sleepy Eye, was chosen foreman. The grand jury first took up the counterfeiting cases, of which there are four.

The petit jury was called late in the afternoon and the first case taken up was that of C. P. W. Schmidt against the Western Union Telegraph company, a personal injury case. Of the twenty cases on the printed calendar were reported settled, and six were continued. The cases which have been settled and were dismissed by the court were:

United States vs. E. W. Durant Jr., timber trespass. Defendant will pay for trespass damages.
Louis A. Haugen vs. Northern Pacific Railway, personal injury. Settled by stipulation.
Alonzo Partlow vs. Northern Pacific Railway, personal injury, by stipulation and settlement.
Alonzo Partlow vs. Northern Pacific Railway, personal injury. Settled in progress.
Fred Busacker vs. Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway, settlement in progress.
Louis Schroeder vs. Northern Pacific Railway, personal injury. Settled.

Fire Startles Army Men.
Occupants of the army building were frightened for a short time yesterday, when the sight of smoke was reported coming from the building. Investigation it divulged that the rubber insulation on the inside elevator cable was burning from heat generated by the current. A few dipperful of water settled the difficulty.

What Shall We Have for Dessert?

This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try

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GOES TO MARRY ITALIAN; STOPS FEDERAL TRIAL

Witness Fits to Sunny Italy and Suit Is Passed.

Judge Lochren, in the United States court, yesterday granted the motion of the defense in the case of John Roddy against the Great Western road, for a continuance to the June term of court on the showing made that an important witness, Samuel Michellino, the man who was to have flagged the train, was now in Sicily, where he went some time ago for the purpose of getting married. He is expected to return to this country within a few weeks.

Gentleman of Leisure Goes Home.
August Ditzler, a gentleman of leisure, as he described himself, was arrested yesterday afternoon by officer Peterson. He gave as his place of residence, Pelton, Minn. Later he was taken to the county jail, where he told harrowing tales of religious insurrection that would assuredly steep the country in blood. He will be returned to friends at Pelton.

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GOOD ROADS TO BE FULLY DISCUSSED

Many Well Known Authorities Will Address the Coming Convention.

The good roads convention, which will be held in the council chamber of the court house of St. Paul Thursday and Friday of this week, will be attended by delegates from all the county good roads associations in the state, as well as representatives of cities, towns and commercial bodies. Many topics bearing on the creation and preservation of good roads will be brought up.

The programme includes addresses of welcome by Gov. S. R. Van San and Mayor R. A. Smith, with responses by George W. Cooley, president of the association, and Prof. William R. Hoag, secretary. President Cooley will then deliver the annual address.

L. H. Johnson will discuss "State Aid and the Question of National Aid" and also be taken up. "The Value of County Organizations" is the subject of an address by H. A. Morgan. Letters on the state highway commissions will be read by Martin Dodge, director, office of public road inquiry; H. L. Budd, state commissioner of public roads; and W. C. Frayer, Massachusetts highway commission.

George W. Sublette, of Minneapolis, will speak on "Municipal Highways." Other addresses will be "Farmers' Interest in Good Roads," by Ole Peterson, president Nicollet County Good Roads association; "County Commissioner and the Public Road," by H. Hall, president Olmsted County Good Roads association; "Road Building Under State Aid System," by W. C. Frayer; "Modern Road Machinery," by Prof. William Hoag, of the state university; "Paving," George L. Wilcox, assistant city engineer of St. Paul; "Economy of Permanent Construction in Road Building," W. S. Pardee; "Highway Supervision," C. A. Forbes.

There will be a general discussion of convict labor, state labor, statute labor tax, the good roads train and motor vehicles, after which there will be a business session, with election of officers, and adjournment.

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JUROR ARRIVES AN HOUR LATE IN COURT

Reprimanded by Court, He Says He Misunderstood Instructions.

The suit brought by the Loftus-Hubbard company against the St. Alvord company, Thomas G. Alvord company, T. G. Alvord and R. Smith, was tried in Judge Orr's court yesterday, and went to a jury of eleven jurors. When court adjourned in the morning there were twelve jurors, but at the opening hour in the afternoon only eleven jurors were present, John A. Borch failing to put in an appearance.

The attorneys agreed, after waiting some time for the delinquent juror, to finish the case with eleven jurors, and when Borch came in at 3 o'clock and asked to be excused, he was not allowed to do so by Judge Orr, who told him to remain until after court had adjourned.

Borch explained to Judge Orr that he had understood the hour to be 3 o'clock, and the court excused him without a fine, after giving him a good talking to and advising him to be more observing in the future.

The suit is brought to recover on a note for \$200, and the jury last night returned a sealed verdict.

WILL TRY TO RAISE WHITE BEAR LAKE

Well at Wildwood Designed for That Purpose Will Be Tested Friday.

The members of the board of county commissioners, accompanied by the county attorney and county surveyor, will go to Wildwood Friday afternoon to witness the first official test of the new well which has been dug at the well water for the purpose of raising the level of White Bear lake.

The test is to be made by the Twin City Rapid Transit company, and will be watched with much interest. White Bear lake has been gradually becoming lower each year for some time, and the county commissioners last year made an appropriation for the purpose of raising the level of the lake. The well bored by the street car company is expected to furnish sufficient water to keep the lake at its present level.

ARMY NOTES.

The soldiers and officers of the department of Dakota are to be indicted with some torture administered by Contract Dental Surgeon Alexander E. Bacon, who, with Private Hans Liebscher, hospital corps, has been ordered to make a tour of the department, stopping at each post from two to six weeks, according to the orders issued. He will be absent on the trip fully six months.

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BLIND PIGS RUN IN THE COUNTRY

Three of Them Are Said to Be Doing Business in Ramsey County.

Common report credits Ramsey county with three saloons located in unincorporated districts, yet the books in County Auditor Krahmer's office fail to show the issuance of a liquor license in two years. Mr. Krahmer says that no applications have been made as far as he knows.

A badge labeled "county license inspector" is in the possession of Chief Clerk Drummond, but as the last inspector resigned his job none has been appointed since.

A county license costs \$500, and it the county had the revenue from those that are known to be in existence a handsome addition would be made to the road and bridge fund.

Chief Clerk Drummond says the existence of those blind pigs has not been brought to the attention of the county board, but he is sure they would act if complaint was made. He says there are several saloons located in the villages throughout the county, but they pay the fee direct to the village boards.

SPECIAL TAXES WILL BE APPLIED

License Laws Will Be Extended to Take in Many Lines.

If the council committee to which has been entrusted the codifying of the license laws carry out the views of some of its members every business and occupation in St. Paul that can be taxed will be made to pay an annual fee into the city treasury.

Milk dealers, insurance agents, department stores, vehicles of all descriptions, hanging signs, soda water and soft drink vendors and a dozen other lines will be made to contribute. Every telephone and electric light pole using the sidewalks will be taxed, and this same act will extend to cellars, holes, stairway extensions and all manner of things that encroach on the street and sidewalks. It is proposed by the committee to make the entire license act sweeping.

Assemblyman Schumeler and others of the committee are now in correspondence with other cities regarding their license laws and when copies are received they will be reviewed with a view of incorporating the best of their features into the St. Paul act.

Not a few of the lines of business now taxed in St. Paul contribute a fee hardly large enough to pay for the certificate and badge issued, and it is proposed to increase these in price. The scheme is to double the revenue producing sources of the city and thus assist in materially reducing the amount of direct taxation that is imposed each year for city purposes.

WILL EXHIBIT HIS BROKEN NECK IN COURT

L. D. Perkins Will Tell a Jury How He Fractured His Cervical Vertebrae.

With harness sufficient to hold up his head, Leonard D. Perkins, of 473 Victoria street, will appear in the circuit federal court today, and testify in the suit brought by him against the American Glass Twine company, in which he seeks to recover damages for personal injuries received while in the employ of the defendant company.

Perkins suffered a fracture of the cervical vertebrae, commonly known as a broken neck, and was successfully treated at the city hospital. Although his neck is broken, the man is now able to walk about, and is twenty-five years old and married.

When the suit for damages is called in the federal court today Perkins will be on hand to testify regarding the manner in which he received his injuries.

LOCAL MEN FORM AN INSURANCE CONCERN

Mercantile Fire Insurance Company Is Organized.

The Mercantile Mutual Fire Insurance Company of St. Paul filed its by-laws and list of officers with the insurance commissioner yesterday, and is now authorized to do business.

The company has 300 separate risks and policies in force in excess of \$750,000. The maximum policy which the company writes on any one risk is \$5,000.

The officers of the company are: J. W. Lux, president; Fred Mason, vice president; A. J. Birmingham, treasurer and J. F. Main, secretary. The board of directors are Messrs. Birmingham, Mason, Lux and Jones, the latter being general manager of the company. The auditing committee is: H. G. Allen, E. D. Donohue and H. J. Dohm.

POULTRY SHOW HAS BEEN GREAT SUCCESS

Association Will Meet and Listen to a Lecture.

The judging at the poultry show has practically been completed. Visitors continue to be pleased with the large number of birds shown, and the exhibitors report that so far the show has been very successful, as many sales have been made.

A lecture on "Poultry" will be given this afternoon, and the annual meeting of the Minnesota Fanciers' association will be held in the evening at the hall where the exhibition is being held.

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DON'T DELAY

Come in tonight (we are open evenings) and see the scorched Pianos which a few repairs will make as good as new. A large number are only marred.

Pianos day before the fire that were priced at \$350, now only

\$65, \$85, \$109 and \$123

You get the same terms at this sale as if you paid regular prices. (Terms \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8 and \$10 per month.)

CASE AGAINST THE WESTERN UNION DROPS

Stipulation Is Made Whereby Suits May Be Resumed.

By stipulation the case of the State of Minnesota, appellant, vs. Western Union Telegraph company, respondent, was dismissed in the supreme court yesterday.

The case was brought in Clay county in 1901 to compel the Western Union company to come in under the operation of the Somerville law. The company in its answer set up that it was a corporation having a grant from the congress of the United States, that its business was the carrying of messages for the government, and military authorities, and for this reason was exempt from the operations of the Minnesota law.

County Attorney Nye, of Clay county, who commenced the suit, demurred to the answer, but Judge Baxter held the answer of the company was sufficient, and from that ruling an appeal was taken to the supreme court. The case was continued from April term of 1902, and yesterday Assistant Attorney General Somerby presented a stipulation that the case be dismissed without prejudice. It is the intention of the attorney general's department to commence a new suit in either St. Paul or Minneapolis, to force the company to pay a license under the Somerville law the same as other foreign corporations doing business in the state are obliged to.

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