

CITY NEWS

The temperature at 2:30 a. m. was 31 above zero, a drop of 1 degree since 8 p. m.

Mrs. Twombly Made Administratrix—Judge Bazille yesterday appointed Mrs. Mary Twombly administratrix of the estate of the late W. S. Twombly, her bond being fixed at \$2,000.

Suffers a Relapse—Hiram F. Stevens suffered a relapse yesterday, and late last night he was again in a critical condition. Although all hope of his recovery had not been abandoned, it is thought that recovery is improbable.

Will Run Slowly Over Bridges—The city street railway company has warned its motormen to reduce the speed of their cars while crossing bridges to eight miles per hour. Signs to this effect have been placed at both ends of the bridges.

Boys Arrested for Stealing Wheat—Andy Miller and Arthur Schultz, both fourteen years old, arrested for the theft of two sacks of wheat from a freight car on the Omaha railroad, were yesterday turned over to the probation officer.

Sues City for \$10,000—Catherine Loughran has filed a \$10,000 claim against the city for personal injuries, alleged to have been sustained by a fall on a defective Pleasant avenue sidewalk. She says she was internally injured and badly bruised.

Adulterated Brandy Fines—The state dairy and food commission has been instrumental in the payment of \$3,556.83 in fines during the month of January, which constitutes a record for the department in this line. Most of the fines were the result of the prosecutions of saloon-keepers for selling adulterated brandy.

Ice Cutter Breaks Arm and Thigh—Nicholas Dullard, a city laborer, seventy-four years of age, who lives at 161 South Wabasha street, was taken to the city hospital yesterday afternoon, suffering from fractures of the right arm and right thigh, the result of a fall at Pickering lake, where he was employed in cutting ice.

Will Open Bids on Bonds—Comptroller Betz will today open bids for the \$75,000 worth of 4 per cent thirty-year refunding bonds. It is expected that there will be a heavy demand for the bonds, and it is expected that the premium will be in the vicinity of \$3,000 to \$4,000 on the lot. Seven bids were received yesterday and more are expected before noon today.

CYCLISTS PROTEST AGAINST DOLLAR TAX

Say Paths are So Poor That No Charge Should Be Made for Riding on Them.

The great body of St. Paul cyclists are up in arms against the proposed increase of the tax on wheels from 50 cents to one dollar, and at a mass meeting at Federation hall last night voiced their sentiments on the matter in no uncertain manner. The meeting was called to order by William Johnson, the cycle dealer, who was at once elected permanent chairman of the organization, which by unanimous vote decided to call itself "The Associated Wheelmen of St. Paul."

Tom Berg commenced the attack by a vigorous and humorous attack against the evils of the dollar tax on wheels, pointing out the fact that the increase of the tax will drive many wheelmen to the second-hand dealer. The condition of the St. Paul cycle paths was such that it was a scandal to keep a road in good condition at all for their keep. Mr. Berg did not want to reflect at all on the efficiency of the cycle path commissioners, but at the same time he maintained that when a man taxed to keep a road in good condition he has a right to expect something more than a succession of holes and sand hills on which to cycle. This condition of the roads was not only injurious to the wheel, but it was a constant temptation to the moral degeneration of the man compelled to ride over them, and caused undoubted increase of the man's knowledge and use of anathema.

His Offer Is Promptly Called.

Last year the cycle path commissioners claimed that his feet to protest against the tax on wheels was not sufficient to keep the streets in condition. This year Mr. Berg himself was prepared to keep the paths in good condition for \$200 less than the sum that the commissioners stated was required to do the work.

Mr. Berg's remarks brought Sergeant Clark, a newly appointed cycle path commissioner, to his feet to protest against the statements of Mr. Berg. Mr. Berg was prepared to carry out his statement that he could keep the paths in condition, Mr. Clark was prepared to pay him an extra \$2,000 for his work. Mr. Berg thought that he would think it over. Mr. Clark stated that at least \$3,000 would be required this year for the maintenance of the paths in proper condition, and it was to obtain this amount the tax had been raised to one dollar. The commissioners expected to sell 10,000 tags for cycles this year, an increase of 4,000 over last year's sale.

Dr. E. H. Haas gave it as his opinion that the expenses of the cycle path commission would be materially reduced if capability and not politics influenced the appointment of the men entrusted with the duty of seeing these paths kept in perfect condition. He would on behalf of the associated wheelmen of St. Paul guarantee a sale exceeding that estimated by the commissioners if the tax were left at 50 cents.

Suggests Plan to Sell Tags.

Dr. L. A. Nelson then proposed an improvement in the methods of selling tags. His idea was to have the tags in book form, ten pages to a book, and intrust the sale of these to business men in each ward, each book sold to pay the seller a commission of 50 cents. By these means a sale of 12,000 tags was certainly guaranteed. The cycle path commission would net the cycle path commission \$5,400, which, with proper supervision, was sufficient to keep the paths in good condition.

The meeting endorsed the appointment of Sergeant Clark and passed resolutions protesting against the increase of the tax on wheels and requesting that the cycle path commissioners of Ramsey county be urged not to increase the tax, which, in the opinion of the associated wheelmen of St. Paul, would be a severe blow to cycle riding as a sport and a hardship to those who are cyclists by compulsion. A committee of eleven, one from each ward, was appointed to confer with the cycle path commissioners and discuss the questions of economy in maintenance of the paths and the sale of tags.

Herbert P. Keller was appointed secretary and O. H. Arosin treasurer of the organization.

When in doubt as to how your money should be invested, read "The Globe's Paving Wants."

FIFTH WARD NEIGHBORS OF KRCH SHOW THEIR FAITH IN HIS INTEGRITY

He Tenders His Resignation as President of the Citizens' Union, Organized to Oppose Payment of Paving Assessment, and Is Promptly Re-elected—Judge John W. Willis Is Engaged as Attorney to Take the Case into the Courts.

Neighborhood sympathy and that quality known as brotherhood of man, of which so little is seen in real life, saved F. A. Krch from what he himself would have considered a disgrace at the session of the Fifth Ward Citizens' union, held in C. S. P. S. hall, West Seventh and Western, last evening. Before nearly two hundred of the people with whom he had for years associated, the old man confessed that he wrote the letter with which he was charged. He offered neither excuse nor palliation, but threw himself on the mercy of the men who had been his friends in the past and who proved to be his friends in the present. Calling the meeting to order Krch asked the secretary, in a voice that trembled with emotion, to read the various articles that had appeared in the newspapers concerning a letter that he had written to L. E. Shepley, president of the Citizens' union, the paving contractor, who paved West Seventh street, and the assessment for which is being contested by the Citizens' union. With tears in his eyes Krch went over the history of the preliminary moves to have the paving laid, his efforts to get a good paving, and at times it seemed that it would be impossible for him to proceed. He thus concluded his remarks:

Friends and Neighbors: Feeling that the burden placed upon me by the association which I am president, I hereby tender my resignation. While I thank you for having chosen me unambiguously to the position that I now hold, I am compelled to vacate, I ask that you proceed to elect a new president. I will continue to fight with you as a member of the association, but not as an officer.

Krch at once vacated the chair and at his request D. F. Erskine, the secretary, asked what should be done with the resignation. He asked a man moved in his seat for the space of several seconds, it being evident that Krch has caused a wave of sympathy throughout the house. Finally a man in a small voice, far away in the corner, moved that the resignation be accepted and the motion was seconded. About a dozen voted for the motion, while the others looked at the downcast old man at the rear of the stage.

Is Quickly Re-elected. Nominations for president were called for, and W. J. McDonald, Rev. C. C. Markham, Joseph Machovitz and Charles Parker, each in turn declined to serve, all the time keeping their eyes on Krch, who showed that he was deeply affected.

The strain was finally relieved when a member arose and nominated Krch. In quick succession, Secretary Erskine turned to Krch and asked: "Will you take it?" "Put the motion, put the motion," answered Krch. The motion was quickly put and carried, about twenty voting aye and none in the negative. Krch again took the chair and in a few words struck the keynote of the meeting. He said: "For thirty-four years I have lived in the city and this is the first time that my integrity has been questioned. I did have an agreement with Shepley, and he prom-

FINDS SOLELY GRAVE A Former St. Paul Fireman Buried in Alaskan Wilds.

Rev. George Pringle, Presbyterian missionary in the Otter Tail district, Alaska, has written a letter to a St. Paul friend which will prove interesting to the old-time friends of John G. Johnston, at one time a prominent member of the local fire department.

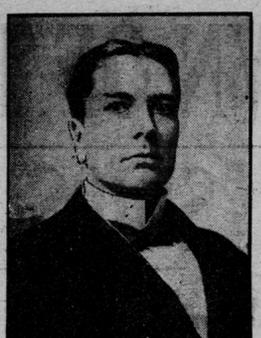
Rev. Pringle writes that while he and his party were on Haggary creek, about eighty-five miles from Stewart, they came across a couple of deserted cabins, near one of which they found a grave with a sapling fence surrounding it. At the head of the grave was a wooden cross that had been whittled out with a knife, and engraved on the cross was this inscription: "John G. Johnston, aged forty-seven, died March 24, 1898, of St. Paul, Minn."

Continuing, the minister writes: "It did seem lonesome to see a grave in the wilderness, but he will sleep peacefully there as in the finest city mausoleum. To judge by his partner's work, he had shown every kindness to the sick man that could be expected in the far-off place."

Johnston's partner was Peter McStay, who was a captain in the fire department before he resigned to go to the Klondike. McStay sent home the news of Johnston's death as soon after it happened as possible. He built the fence and carved the cross.

LOYAL LEGION WILL BANQUET NEXT WEEK

Minnesota commandery of the Loyal Legion will hold its regular monthly meeting and banquet next Tuesday evening at the West hotel in Minneapolis. The two score guests invited to the music of Kohler's orchestra. The young men were accompanied by chaplains and were conveyed tenderly to and from their homes in carriages. The men were also taken to the Windsor hotel for luncheon, during which one of them fainted because his tie was loosed too tightly.



JUDGE JOHN W. WILLIS. Engaged by Fifth Ward Citizens to Conduct the Fight Against Payment of Paving Assessment.

sed that he would make it right with me. I thought I had the money coming when I asked him for it. This little sideshow to the real meeting of the organization that was called for the purpose of fighting the paving assessment was caused by the letter that follows, which was written by Krch to Shepley, and which on its face looks like an effort at a "shake-down."

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 17, 1904. L. E. Shepley, Esq.—Dear Sir: In compliance with our understanding for the paving of West Seventh street with sandstone, I rely on your assistance in paying for the same, amount charged me, \$450 to be paid before March 7, 1904.

Please inform me what will you do, or when and where I can meet you, and oblige, respectfully yours, F. S. Krch.

Krch's story as told privately, is that he met and talked with Shepley. At that time there was much difference of opinion as to whether West Seventh street should be paved with asphalt or with sandstone. In the conversation Krch says that Shepley made the proposition that if the paving should be sandstone and his firm should get the contract he would make it right with Krch. The letter says that because of this and subsequent conversations he was led to believe that he would be paid for the work that he did, and accordingly put his best efforts for sandstone. In the end this material was chosen and the street paved. As soon as he got notice of his assessment Krch says that he wrote the letter quoted and asked Shepley to carry out his promise.

The executive committee of the union reported that it had selected Judge John W. Willis as the attorney to make the contest in the courts, and the selection was ratified. Judge Willis said:

Since being notified that I had been selected as attorney for this organization, I have carefully gone over the records of the board of public works and have found such radical errors that I feel sure that this assessment will be declared void in such a manner that it will be impossible to make another assessment. The declaration of voidness will be made by the board of public works, and the district to be assessed must be laid out in advance. Nothing of the kind was done in this case. This holding is just, and I believe will be further sustained, as otherwise it would be possible for scheming contractors to shingle affairs to their own satisfaction and to their profit.

After it had been decided to place Chas. Parker, the treasurer, under a bond of \$1,000, the list prepared for subscriptions were passed around, and quite an amount was realized. As the protest against the assessment must be filed by March 7, it was decided to hold another meeting at the same place Friday evening of this week, when a full report will be made of the collections.

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POOR WEALTH UPON COUNTY TREASURER

Personal Property Taxpayers Rush to Settle Before the Penalty Takes Effect.

"Ten-twenty-thirty-forty-fifty-sixty—Another pinch of the moist sponge at his elbow, and James Painter, cashier in the county treasurer's office, continued to count a mighty pile of paper money, stacked up on all sides of him until he was almost hidden from view.

Yesterday was the last day for the payment of personal property taxes before penalty attaches and the force of deputies employed by County Treasurer Metzdorf worked last night long after many taxpayers had gone to bed.

It was one of the busiest days in the history of the office and while a trifle more than \$45,000 in cash was taken in over the counter, it came in small lots—and \$45,000 in small lots means a pile of work for the one who has to count it correctly.

Makes Out 1,378 Receipts. During the day County Treasurer Metzdorf and his deputies made out 1,378 receipts, which means that the personal tax books had to be referred to just that often; it was the greatest number ever cared for in the office in one day.

And during all of the time that the deputies were busy settling with people who appeared personally to pay their taxes, the mails were bringing in hundreds of letters, all containing checks of goodly proportions. It is estimated that the aggregate value of the checks received by mail during the day will amount to more than \$200,000, and these figures will not be obtainable until ten days or two weeks have elapsed, as the letters have to be opened, the books referred to and receipts properly made out and mailed. It required ten days for this work a year ago, and the volume of mail is larger this year than last.

Will Probably Break Record. The total "last day" receipts of the office this year bid fair to exceed those of last year, regardless of the fact that there are "low deficits"—the failure of the street car company to pay its taxes and the lower rate of taxation.

A year ago the street car company paid on the last day the sum of \$64,000, but since that time the state board of equalization has raised the valuation of the company's personal property from \$2,000,000 to something more than \$3,000,000, and the company's tender of \$64,000 made this year was refused by Mr. Metzdorf. According to the assessment, the company should pay something more than \$81,000, and as a result of the increase of the company's taxes will not be forthcoming until the validity of the assessment has been tested in the courts.

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Then there is the girl who has come "to the fair" of it, and the girl who depends upon her juggling with the needle and scissors to supply her daily bread; the girl from the little county village bearing aloft the banner of her trade, a mass of rainbow straw, floating ribbons—the advance guard of all the extremes in spring millinery; the girl from the larger town in the quiet tailor-made and plain but stylish hat.

All of these young women are in St. Paul, and will be here for two or three weeks longer. They will return to the smaller towns, prepared to separate unsuspecting husbands and fathers from goodly sums for the very latest styles in Easter bonnets for wives and daughters.

LADIES ENTERTAIN AT LEAP YEAR BALLS

Take the Gallant Part and Show Their Guests Much Gentle Attention.

She fanned him vigorously last night, after she had led him to a chair in a corner of the hall. As soon as he could catch his breath he exclaimed, with a timid upturn of his eyes:

"Thank you. Thank you ever so much, Miss Jones. How mortifying! But, really, if you had caught—I mean supported—me, I should have fallen right there! And you half-step so delightfully! But it's only a little faintness, you know. I shouldn't be so nervous. I've had a very fitting and fussy and all that. Dear me! you girls could never understand these things—and it was so good of you to insist on my staying when you saw I was as pale as a sheet."

"As a lady you mean, Mr. Smith; never saw you look more charming. Fact is (takes his hand as it lies in the shadow and lowers her voice) I don't go in much for the husky type; always preferred your style—more refined and dainty and all that. But let me get you some refreshment. (He blushes and lowers his lids.) A very good form."

"Yes, thanks; it may do me good; but only a few drops, I beg of you; the boys say it's quite dreadfully strong." While she hurried away for the few drops he furtively took a small mirror from inside his vest and rearranged some wandering wisps of hair.

But where this happened it would be rude to tell. There were leap year parties last night at so many places, parties on the hill, parties down town, parties on the bluff, parties across the river. At Litt's hall, for example, Sixth and St. Peter streets, a party of noble proportions was given. Addresses upon the value of organization were made by C. A. Kames and John Gleske. The president of the union, Miss Pearl Treblock, occupied the chair.

Teachers' Examining Board. The examining board for state teachers' certificates will meet this afternoon at the university to pass upon applications from graduates of colleges and universities who seek to secure certificates without further examination.

Ladies Take the Gallant Part. This party was given by the Favorite Leap Year club, composed of Mrs. Jessie Horrihan, and the Misses Nellie Goodwin, Alma Zinn, Della Herrick, Esther Isaacson, Margaret Deane and May Murphy.

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MILLINERS COME TO STUDY THE STYLES

Many Hundreds Now in the Wholesale Houses Getting Pointers on Their Art.

With the very first breeze that hints of spring and far in advance of the first darning robin or timorous violet, there arrives annually in St. Paul an army of women intent upon one thing—the making of a hat.

There are more than 1,000 of them in St. Paul now, scattered about in the different wholesale millinery houses, and representing almost every city, town and hamlet in the state, as well as many outside the state. Iowa, the Dakotas and many of the Northwestern states send their trimmers to St. Paul to "catch on" to the new styles in women's headgear each year.

They come to the city quietly, and their presence is hardly noticed until the season is well started, when their numbers command attention. A thousand strange milliners would attract attention in almost any city.

During the day these wizards of the needle are busy within the walls of the big brick buildings down in the wholesale district. Surrounded by masses of laces, ribbons and flowers, they are being taught to create something "chic," stunning and swell. A few lightning passes of the needle, some quick strokes of the scissors and deft turn of a ribbon and lo! a creation destined to kindle the glance of admiration, the pang of envy!

Will Show Their Art at Easteride. But not until near Easteride will the skill and ingenuity now being acquired behind those brick walls be fully demonstrated. It is the charming amateur herself in whom the public is now chiefly interested.

Down in the busy wholesale district, when the big whistles sound the noon hour or when the places are closed for the day, hundreds of hundreds of these fair and busy visitors emerge from the buildings and find their way to their temporary homes throughout the city.

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last March. The lodge now has seventy members. The officers are: Miss Inga Warwick, president; Mrs. Anna Tein, president; Miss Palma Larson, vice president; Mrs. J. E. Suther, financial secretary; Miss Hanna Saundt, corresponding secretary; Mrs. L. Axelson, treasurer.

It was a dance, though not a leap year party, that he attended, union, No. 1, enjoyed last night at Federation hall. Before the dance an entertainment included the day, but by four glowing maidens in red—the Misses Gladys Carley, Elvira Manton, Edith La Pine and Vera Furey; a tenor solo, Lynn Larson, a comic recitation, Mr. Schaffbill; a bartone solo, Gustave Myers; a waltz dance, "The Butterfly," Miss Violet Neary, together with the smaller towns, prepared to separate unsuspecting husbands and fathers from goodly sums for the very latest styles in Easter bonnets for wives and daughters.

WANTS TO COMMAND MINNESOTA G. A. R.

Harrison White, of Luverne, has proclaimed himself a candidate for the office of commander of the department of Minnesota G. A. R., and thus far he has been the only one to do so. The annual department encampment will be held at Minneapolis March 15 and 16, in the Fourth Ward wigwam, on Western avenue, near Seventh street. Charles Taylor, junior vice department commander, has declared that he will not be a candidate for promotion, as his business interests will not permit him to take an active part in the work for this year.

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The New Merchants Hotel Cafe

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IS BLOCKED AGAIN TOWN SIDETRACKED

Como Avenue Grading Project Strikes a Snag. Great Northern Puts KallsPELL on a Spur Line.

"The change in the main line of the Great Northern by which KallsPELL will be put on a side line will naturally unfavorably affect one of the best and prettiest little cities in Montana for a time," said Dr. F. H. Houston, of KallsPELL, who is spending a few weeks in St. Paul taking post-graduate work at St. Joseph's hospital, where he was for a time house surgeon before going West. As a recompense for the loss of the division point we expect a north and south road to be built through the Flathead valley, leaving the new cut-off at Whitefish and crossing the old line running east and west at KallsPELL. It is known among railroad men as the Jocko line, for it will tap the Northern Pacific's main line at Jocko. Surveyors were in the field last fall, and will complete their work as soon as the snow has left the ground in the spring.

"The climate of our part of Montana," said Dr. Houston, "is superb. While the present winter has been universally regarded all over the country as an extremely hard one the thermometer has never reached zero during the day time at KallsPELL, and the weather has been delightful. "I passed through Havre on my way East, and with a commendable enterprise the people of that burned town are already beginning to rebuild it. It is an important town on the Great Northern, and will always be a good town. The reservoir irrigation system planned for that part of Montana will be of great benefit to Havre."

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GOVERNOR APPOINTS WOMAN OIL INSPECTOR

Widow of Late Incumbent of the Office Is Given Husband's Position.

Minnesota now has a woman deputy oil inspector. She is Mrs. Larson, widow of the late Louis E. Larson, who was the first woman in his district of the district of Winona.

With his well-known gallantry toward the gentle sex Gov. Van Sant has decreed that Mrs. Larson shall for the present continue to perform the duties of the office, and it is understood that if her service proves satisfactory she will be allowed to serve out the term. It is even hinted by a party who is in the governor's confidence that he hopes to find in this experiment a way out of the difficulty which sometimes is presented in having to choose between rival male aspirants for oil inspectorships.

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