

# NEWS OF THE CITY

The temperature at 2:30 a. m. was 48 above zero, a drop of 2 degrees since 8 p. m.

Improvement Association Meeting—The Eighth Ward Improvement association will hold its regular monthly meeting Friday evening.

Fifth Ward Citizens Will Meet—The Fifth Ward Citizens' association will hold an important meeting at C. S. P. S. hall tomorrow evening.

Federal Judge W. C. Hook Arrives—Judge W. C. Hook, of the circuit court, arrived in St. Paul yesterday and will remain in this city until the conclusion of the May term.

Employees of Mannheim Bros. Hold Banquet—Fourteen heads of departments of Mannheim Bros. last evening enjoyed a banquet at the Merchants hotel. The banquet was served in the new cafe.

Will Need \$141,225—Estimates on the expenses of the twelve state institutions under the board of control for the quarter ending July 31, received from the superintendents, aggregate \$141,225.15.

St. Agnes' Parish School Opens—St. Agnes' parish school, Kent and Lafond streets, opened its spring term yesterday and admitted 100 pupils, all of whom are from the Eighth ward. The total enrollment of the school is now 1,200.

Training School Robert Lilydahl—Robert J. Lilydahl, thirteen years old, charged with stealing books from the Cleveland school, was committed to the state training school. It was not the first time that Robert had been arraigned for larceny.

Col. Montfort Losing Strength—But little change was noted last night in the condition of Col. Charles J. Montfort, of the Windsor hotel, who has been in an unconscious state since he was struck as a result of a stroke of apoplexy. He continues to lose strength.

State Bank of Butterfield Authorized—The State Bank of Butterfield, of Butterfield, Watonwan county, was yesterday registered with the state bank examiner, John W. Lavery, and its president, A. A. Lyne, cashier of the new bank. The capital stock is \$12,000, and there are six directors.

Wants \$4,000 for Personal Injuries—Judge Orr is engaged in the trial of the jury case of John Leckie against the Great Northern Railway company, in which the plaintiff asks damages of \$4,000 for personal injuries. Leckie was working for the railway company as a section hand, and it is alleged that he was injured by falling over a semaphore wire.

Moberg's Body Still Unclaimed—An inquest will be held at the Miller next Monday upon the body of Louis Moberg, the laborer who was killed by boys in a box car near Owatonna. After the inquest the remains will be taken to the county morgue, will be buried in the potter's field, unless previously claimed by relatives or friends. So far no such persons have been heard from.

Odd Fellows to Celebrate Eighty-fifth Anniversary—St. Paul Odd Fellows are preparing to celebrate the eighty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the order with a great gathering of the members of the fraternity at Odd Fellows' hall on the evening of April 24. Minneapolis members of the order will be invited, as will a number of notable guests will be present, including Mayor Smith.

Italian Mysteriously Disappears—A Lombardi, 485 East Seventh street, reported to the police last night that his brother, F. Lombardi, who arrived in St. Paul four days ago, had mysteriously disappeared from his home, where he was stopping, Tuesday afternoon. Lombardi said he searched all over town among the hotels and was unable to locate the missing brother.

Bookbinders to Retain Attorney—At a meeting of the Bookbinders' Union No. 27 last night the order will call the advisory board of the union was given power to take the steps necessary to defend the action for \$2,035 damages started by the St. Paul Typing and Printing Co. Publishing company. An attorney will be retained today and will be given authority to file an answer to the complaint against the union.

Will Deal in Realty—Mary K. Meagher and Sarah Kelly, of St. Paul; Agnes K. Tingle, of St. David, Pa., and Esther K. Bell, of Berlin, Ontario, have formed a company to be known as the "Estate of P. H. Kelly," articles of incorporation for which were yesterday filed with the secretary of state. The company will deal in realty. The capital stock is fixed at \$10,000, and the limit of indebtedness is to be \$25,000.

Unknown Pays Mrs. Varro's Rent—A contribution has been received by the Relief society from an unknown source to prevent the ejection of Mrs. W. B. Varro from her home at 960 Earl street. The rent will pay her rent for the two months already in arrears. The relief society refused the request of Owen McMahon, owner of the Earl street house, that the sick mother and her children be dismissed. These circumstances attracted the attention of the Relief society's correspondent.

## ANOTHER OF ERNST'S TRICKS IS RECALLED

Lawsuit Filed Yesterday Exposes More of His Forgeries.

Casper Ernst and his multiple financial methods are recalled to notice in a suit filed yesterday in the district court.

The subject of contention is a promissory note and accompanying interest notes and mortgage deed, which passed through Mr. Ernst's hands, and according to the complaint in this case, came forth multiplied by three. The plaintiff in the case is William H. Sweet, who holds one set of the triplicate documents and brings action against Helena Dorn, Michael Baasen and Anna M. Jordan to establish the authenticity of those in his hands.

The original promissory note and mortgage, it is alleged, were executed June 9, 1900, by Helena Dorn, in favor of Casper Ernst. The note was for \$800, with interest at 7 per cent, payable semi-annually. It was secured by a mortgage deed of the same date on lots 11 and 12, block 9, Woodbury and Case's addition.

This note and mortgage, it is set forth in the complaint, were assigned by Ernst Nov. 12, 1901, to Stanislaus Wybraniec, in consideration of \$800, and on Dec. 7, 1903, were assigned by Mr. Wybraniec to the plaintiff.

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## PRINCIPALS TELL WHAT SCHOOLS LACK

They Meet and Make Suggestions for Improvement of the Educational System.

No cows to milk when he gets home from school, no horses to break, no pigs to feed, no wood to chop—this is why the city schoolboy lacks the strength of character and of purpose that characterizes the country schoolboy.

Such, at least, was the opinion expressed yesterday afternoon at the Central high school by Principal John Pemberton, of the Ramsey school, during a meeting of public school principals called, as one of a series of meetings, to answer the school board's request for suggestions that might improve the local school system.

Mr. Smalley, present to hear the teachers speak, had been asked by Chairman H. W. Slack to recommend needed reforms in the school system. Mr. Smalley objected to the course of studies, the methods of study and the standard of progress, based upon the estimated capacity of the average child.

"And the average child," added Mr. Smalley, "does not exist." Mr. Smalley opposed checking the bright pupils and spurring the dull ones. Grades should be abolished. His ideal school would be one combining the advantages of both city and country schools.

Then Principal Pemberton said the chief difficulty with the city schools was the pupils' parents; that the conditions which parents and pupils find themselves. Lack of work and responsibility after school hours prevent the development of the children's characters.

The principals, discussing other points, agreed that truant officers were desirable; voted that the school board be asked to increase the manual training school course so as to include the four upper grades, and selected Miss Phalen, Mr. Slack and Miss Lenon to prepare a real course of study for the city schools.

## YOUNG MEN TRUSTEES OF HOUSE OF HOPE

Church Holds Its Annual Meeting—Membership Has Reached 921.

At the annual meeting of the House of Hope congregation last evening the reports showed that more than \$1,000 had been contributed to the support of the church and the chapel, an increase over the last year. The donations to missionary work in various countries amounted to almost \$13,000. Adding to this the amounts given for miscellaneous objects, the disbursements for the year were \$29,536.

Arthur B. Driscoll, Wallace C. Winter and Charles Schumacher were chosen trustees. Mr. Driscoll succeeds himself, the other two taking the places of E. C. Jefferson and A. Kirk. The new trustees are young men, thoroughly in accord with the policy of Dr. Boyle, the pastor, who came to the church some fifteen months ago. The reports read last evening showed that eighty-four persons have united with the church during the year, making the total membership 921.

Besides the church proper, the congregation supports Hope chapel, which is in charge of Rev. John Newell. The chapel has a church membership of over 100 and a Sunday school of over 500. Connected with the chapel is a singing school, a cooking school, a boys' club and gymnasium and manual training classes.

Mrs. W. E. Howard reported for the Home Missionary society, and Mrs. G. C. A. Tory reported for the church proper, showing that considerably over \$2,000 was contributed through these organizations.

## HOTEL AND RESTAURANT KEEPERS BANQUET

Protective Association Holds Its First Annual Reunion at the Windsor.

Members of the Restaurant and Hotel Keepers' Protective association, of St. Paul, to the number of forty-five, last night sat down to their first annual banquet at the Windsor hotel cafe. The association was organized some months ago, and now numbers nearly all the hotel and restaurant proprietors in the city.

The table were decorated with cut flowers and ferns and a string orchestra played during the service of the banquet, which included ten courses.

C. A. Tory presided as toastmaster, and toasts were responded to as follows: "The Restaurant and Hotel Keepers' Protective Association," T. J. Wilson, "Cooking Backward," H. H. Spencer; "Help Question," W. P. Frenzel; Hugo Lutgren recited and Frank Wakefield and Andy Gardner, of the Windsor theater, did a clever vaudeville stunt.

T. J. Wilson is president of the association, A. J. Cameron secretary and William Jesting treasurer. The association aims to include all the members of the craft in the city in its membership.

## TRAVELING MAN IS RUN DOWN BY STREET CAR

Meyer Kaufman Is Struck by Selby Car, but Escapes Serious Injury.

Meyer Kaufman, a traveling salesman, was knocked down by an east-bound Selby avenue electric car shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon while he was walking across Fourth street near Robert street. He said he did not hear the car going. It was run, and that his attention was attracted by vehicles going west. The car fender, striking him on the ankle, threw him away from the tracks. He was taken to the city hospital in the patrol wagon. Kaufman later went to his home, 585 John street. He is a married man, thirty-six years old.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT LADDIES FACE A GENERAL SHAKE-UP

## Commissioner Schweizer and Chief Jackson Present a Long List of Transfers and Promotions to the Board—Report Is Held Up for Investigation by Commissioner Clarkin—Changes Will Work Hardship With Many of the Men Concerned.

If the report of Commissioner A. J. Schweizer and Chief John Jackson is adopted, as made to the board of fire commissioners last night, there will be a shaking up in the department that has seldom been equaled.

The public reason given for the proposed changes is that it is due to the forming of a new hook and ladder company, to be located at Engine House No. 12, and have charge of the new aerial ladder, but it is evident from the recommendations submitted that advantage was taken of this fact to shift a large number of the firemen.

In addition to the transfers, promotions, etc., the report recommends that the force of Hook and Ladder No. 1 be reduced one man; Hook and Ladder No. 4 one man; Hook and Ladder No. 5 one man. A man was taken from Hook and Ladder No. 3, Engine Company No. 10 and Engine Company No. 13, but it is recommended that three new appointments be made to the department to take their places.

When the report had been read Commissioner Clarkin thought that it should lay over for at least one meeting, as he desired not only to look into the circumstances of the transfers, but also desired to see if all the promotions were based upon length of service. He spoke particularly of one man who was on the list who would be sent some miles away from his home if the transfer is put in force.

Mr. Clarkin thought he did not attempt to explain, saying that the committee had done the work according to its lights and had no objection to an investigation.

Mr. Clarkin thought that it had been understood that the new company was to be made up from the other truck companies, and not in effect result in an overturning of the department.

Mr. Schweizer said that he had no such understanding, and was corroborated by Commissioner Freeman. Mr. Schweizer concluded: "I have no objection to laying the report over, but the committee has merely carried out the policy of the board in promoting men entitled to it."

The "Shake-Up" List.  
The recommendations, which were as follows, therefore went over for future consideration:  
D. Ferguson, captain Eng. 12, to captain H. and L. No. 8.  
E. R. Irvine, captain Eng. No. 5, to captain Eng. No. 12.  
James Conway, captain Eng. No. 10, to captain Eng. No. 5.  
E. L. Hein, captain No. 13, to captain H. and L. No. 8.

## DR. APPELEY OBJECTS TO WANT STRONG CARS

Dissents From Provision Made for His \$10,000 Annuity.

Dr. T. E. W. V. Appeley has protested in the probate court against the action of the trustees of his deceased wife's estate in setting aside certain portions of the property to earn the annuity of \$10,000 allowed to him.

This comes before the court in regular course of the hearing of claims against the estate of Mrs. Cornelia Day Wilder, Appeley's widow. The right continued from time to time for some months past, and was set forward from yesterday until Tuesday next.

Under the will and in accordance with the terms of an ante-nuptial agreement Dr. Appeley is to receive \$10,000 a year as long as he may live and remain unmarried. In the event of a second marriage he is to receive \$25,000 as a finality.

The trustees under the will, Victor Watkins, Charles L. Spencer and J. L. H. Field, acting in accordance with the court, set aside from the estate certain securities under the designation of "the Dr. Appeley trust" to earn the annuity of \$10,000.

Dr. Appeley has filed notice with the court of a lien upon the entire estate for his annuity, and a notice of dissent from the action of the trustees in setting aside certain property for that trust. He says that the action can have no force or validity unless he joins in it.

## WANTS DIVORCE FROM WOMAN WHO LEFT HIM

Joseph Eroux Asks for Decree Against Felicia, Charging Desertion.

Joseph Eroux applied yesterday to the district court for a divorce from Felicia Eroux, whom he married at New Canada, this county, when she was but fifteen years of age and he was twenty-four.

In the complaint it is told that in 1900 Eroux, with his family, removed to Walker, but soon afterward Mrs. Eroux left her husband and returned to St. Paul. There is one child, a son, now fifteen years of age.

# BUILDING CODE AMENDMENTS READY

## Committee on Public Safety Frames Rules for Theaters, Halls and Churches.

All buildings for public gatherings are included in the amendments to the building code completed by the council committee on public safety yesterday, and the city engineer and corporation attorney were instructed to prepare the ordinance at once that it may be formally introduced in the council.

Theaters, halls and churches must all conform to the regulations, although the theater managers induced the committee to modify the provision requiring automatic sprinklers. Ald. Corning alone voted in the negative on this proposition, those voting in the affirmative being Assemblymen Whitcomb, Rosen and Haas, Ald. Dahlquist, Corporation Attorney Michael and City Engineer Rumsen.

L. N. Scott, of the Metropolitan opera house, and T. L. Hays, of the Grand opera house, appeared before the committee and argued against the proposed enforcement of the provision requiring the installation of automatic fire extinguishers, contending that while there would be considerable additional expense the automatic arrangements would not lessen the danger from fire. In addition it was urged the extinguisher might be set in action by other means than heat, with the possible result that valuable scenery and property would be destroyed.

"It often happens," said Mr. Scott, "that there are as many as a hundred persons on the stage of whom the management of the theater knows little or nothing and some of whom are more or less irresponsible. It would be possible for them to do a great amount of unnecessary harm by turning on the sprinkler."

Prefers Hose and Stand Pipes.  
"And besides this," urged Mr. Hays, "I believe that better protection can be secured by the use of hose and stand pipes, as in this manner the water can be thrown where it is most needed. In the case of the sprinkler the water would be evenly distributed."

"Automatic sprinklers are doubtless a great thing for commercial houses," urged Mr. Hays, "but in the case of theaters I believe that if one was turned loose there would be a stampede and possibly loss of life."

Ald. Corning thought as the engineer and the building inspector had made a special study of the question their recommendations should be accepted, but Corporation Attorney Michael said that it would be better to eliminate the provision than to run the risk of having the amendments defeated.

The provisions as adopted require, in addition to the regulations heretofore enforced, that there shall be as many stand pipes in the theaters as are demanded by the engineer; that the building inspector must make a monthly inspection of the theaters and report in writing to the engineer; the engineer can at any time demand a test of the stand pipes and if they are found to be defective the theaters must be opened without permission from the engineer, and with the consent of the mayor and the chief of police any building inspector or employee must be instructed as to what should be done in case of fire; red lights must be displayed in front of marked exits.

## Fireproof Walls in Churches.

All churches seating more than 500 people, whose main audience room shall be situated at such a height above the street as to require stairways to reach the main exit, shall have such staircases separated from the auditorium room by a fireproof wall. The stairways shall be of fireproof construction, including those leading from the galleries.

In the case of public halls the same general provisions apply as to theaters, requiring that all exits and fire escapes be marked and lighted. All halls must secure a permit from the city engineer, and this permit must be prominently posted. A penalty of a fine as high as \$100 will be imposed if a greater number of persons than is named in the permit are allowed to congregate in the hall.

All stairways in hotels and lodging houses must not only conform in width and otherwise to the provisions of the code, but in all cases where more than thirty guests can be accommodated, it is required that red lights be displayed at all stairways and exits at night.

## Preparing for Anniversary.

The First Swedish Lutheran church will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its organization next December, and preparations are now being made for the jubilee. Prof. Peter Johnson, the organist, is training a chorus of 100 voices, which will take part in the festivities.

## Gustafson Held to Grand Jury.

Gus Gustafson, arrested early Sunday morning by Patrolman Martin Peterson, while trying to break into a barber shop at 980 Payne avenue, was held to the grand jury.

## Bookbinders Elect Delegates.

A. G. Anderson and L. H. Roth were last night elected delegates from the local Bookbinders' union, No. 37, as delegates to attend the International Bookbinders' convention, to be held in St. Paul on June 1. About 150 delegates from all parts of the country are expected to attend the convention.

# Field, Schlick & Co.

St. Paul's Silk-Selling Store. Entrances Wabasha, Fourth, Fifth and St. Peter Sts.

## A triple offering in fine new wash goods

25c wash goods for 19c; 15c to 25c short ends at 10c and a lot of 10c to 20c fabrics at 5c.

There's a list that should suit every purse just as there are fabrics to suit every need.

100 pieces newest volles in fancy styles, solid colors, light, medium or dark shades; a regular 25c fabric ..... 19c

A great mass of fine wash goods valued from 10c to 20c a yard. 10c and 12 1/2c dress gings; also 25 pieces striped and checked suitings and a host of odds and ends, worth to 20c. Today, the yard... 5c

## Our popular cravenette coats

With the new arrivals, which run into the hundreds, this store holds today what is undoubtedly the biggest and best collection of cravenettes in the town—all the best shades—and no woman should have any difficulty in getting suited.

Double or triple capes, belted and plaided back, new full sleeve with pointed cuff, double-breasted front... 10.00

## Men's 1.00 shirts and drawers 69c

A light weight 3/4 wool garment that is usually sold at 1.00. Fine soft quality. The reason for this cut? There are slight imperfections in some of the garments, so slight that you hardly notice them. 69c

## Men's socks eight cents

It's a month or more since we gave you men a chance at these famous 2-thread socks. Plenty for today's sale; socks or pairs, and the colors are absolutely first. Ask your friends who have worn them. 15c Socks for ..... 8c

## PROPERTY WANTED BY \$500 APPRAISED

Commissioners File a Voluminous Report With the District Court.

John Townsend, H. S. Fairchild and Newton R. Frost, commissioners in the appraisal of property which the "Soo" road desires to condemn for yards and terminals, filed a report in the district court yesterday in relation to the second petition of the railroad company.

The report is voluminous and describes each piece of property minutely by lot and block, and in most cases of joint ownership awards damages specifically to each owner. The only exception to that rule is in regard to one parcel of land, which, with the house that stands upon it, is appraised at \$3,200, to be divided among the following owners: The heirs of Philip Hennessy, St. Joseph's Mercy hospital, of Dubuque, Iowa; John J. Keane, Roger Ryan, Margaret O'Neill, Kathryn Sheehy, Ellen Hennessy, Alice Sheehy, Kathleen O'Connell and Agnes Blewit.

The land is located principally in Kittson's addition and Auditor's subdivision, and in most cases the appraisal contemplates outright condemnation. The following awards have, however, been made for easements for the proposed tunnel sixty feet in width:

John B. Hermann, \$500; Dora Hermann, \$500; William J. McAuley, \$750; Joseph J. Hennrich, \$1,000; John Birch and A. Youngberg, \$1,500; Andrew G. Asplund, G. Lindquist and P. Swanson, \$2,000.

The most important award is that of \$12,700 to Anna I. E. von Hemert and E. Johnson for condemnation of a considerable portion of one block in Kittson's addition. Others are as follows:

August B. Mueller, \$250; Simon Paquin, \$400; James Fenstermaker and Lizzie Assmus, \$900; Louis Carter, \$500; the heirs of Philip Hennessy, \$250; St. Joseph's Mercy hospital, \$250; Kathryn Sheehy, \$250; Alice Sheehy, \$87.50; Kathleen O'Connell, \$29.17; Josephine O'Connell, \$29.17; Agnes Blewit, \$29.17; George C. Pine, \$50; John A. Stees, \$500; Anna W. Neman and E. H. Schriber, \$2,500; Ellen Hennessy, \$87.50.

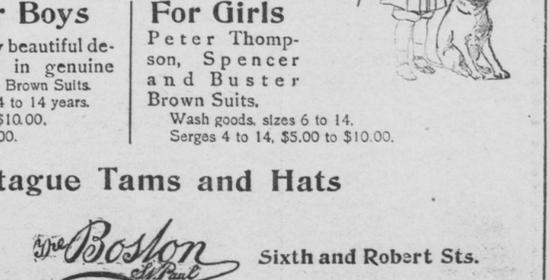
## DAVID PARKER'S TRIAL TO COMMENCE TODAY

Man Accused of Killing Henry Watson Will Soon Face a Jury.

David Parker, accused of manslaughter in connection with the killing of Henry Watson, will be placed on trial in the criminal branch of the district court this morning before Judge Kelly. The trial of Joseph Brill and Tony Zarembska, charged with complicity in a number of hold-ups in the Eighth ward, will begin as soon as the Parker case is finished.

## Open Letter From Buster Brown

DEAR MOTHERS: If your boys deserve to be happy why don't you get in the game and buy them Buster Brown Suits for this summer? All the smart boys will wear them. BUSTER BROWN.



For Boys Many beautiful designs in genuine Buster Brown Suits. Sizes 4 to 14 years. Woolen goods, \$4.50 to \$10.00. Wash goods \$2.50 to \$5.00.

For Girls Peter Thompson, Spencer and Buster Brown Suits. Wash goods, sizes 6 to 14. Serges 4 to 14, \$5.00 to \$10.00.

Montague Tams and Hats. C. B. BOWLEY, Pres. H. W. FAGLEY, Treas. Boston Sixth and Robert Sts.