

NEWS OF THE CITY

Discharged From Bankruptcy—F. B. Bass was discharged from bankruptcy yesterday by Judge Lochren.

Pay Day for City's Street Force—About \$7,000 will be paid this morning to the street and sewer force for work performed during the two weeks ending July 30.

Mayor Out With Hook and Line—Mayor Smith left Saturday for Brainerd, where he expected to begin today's fishing. He probably will turn home today.

Charges Husband With Beating Her—Mrs. A. W. 727 East Larson street, swore out a warrant yesterday for the arrest of her husband, the late Wirth, charging him with beating her.

Peddler Draws Thirty Days—Thomas Williamson, charged with peddling dry goods without a license, pleaded guilty and was sent to the workhouse yesterday by Judge Hine for thirty days.

Fined \$5 for Swearing—Frank Kratoch, arrested at West Seventh and Towel streets Sunday evening by Patrolman Talty for using profane language, was fined \$5 by Judge Hine yesterday.

Wheeler Are Fined \$2 Apiece—Oscar Tuft, Henry Hafstad and Andrew Hafstad, arrested by Patrolman Rooney for riding on the sidewalk in Memorial Park Sunday, each paid a fine of \$2 in the police court yesterday.

Red Men's Prophet on St. Cloud Trail—Edwin D. Wiley, of Des Moines, grand prophet of the Independent Order of Red Men, was arrested at Brainerd yesterday on his way to St. Cloud, where the state council is to be held.

Debs to Visit St. Paul—Eugene V. Debs, candidate for the presidency on the Socialist or public ownership party ticket, will come to the Northwest in October for a number of speeches. He will probably be heard in St. Paul.

Deny They Were Disorderly—J. J. Grandstaff and Emma Huska, arrested in an East Seventh street saloon Sunday night by Patrolman Burke, pleaded not guilty to the charge of disorderly conduct in the police court yesterday, and will have a hearing today.

Omack Signs Peace Bond—Chris Omack, employed at the St. Paul Furniture company's factory, "was in the police court yesterday charged with striking M. Shavel, formerly night watchman at the court house, Omack signed a peace bond.

Superintendent of Schools Smith to Return Tomorrow—The superintendent of Schools A. J. Smith, who has been spending his vacation in the East, will return home tomorrow. He also attended the convention of the National Educational association in St. Louis.

Frater Would Succeed Ferris—Joseph P. Frater, of Brainerd, has filed his declaration of candidacy for the Republican nomination for state senator from the Forty-eighth district, which is composed of Morrison and Crow Wing counties. There is a vacancy in this district caused by the death of the late Senator A. F. Ferris, who succeeded Congressman Buckman.

Associations Can Do Business in State—The Woodmen's Modern Protective association, of St. Louis, an ally of the Modern Woodmen, was interested in doing business in the state yesterday. The organization is a fraternal one and proposes to provide sick and accident benefits for its members. The association, which has headquarters in Chicago, another fraternal organization, received a license.

Readers Correct Teachers' Papers—A force of 125 readers, under the direction of the superintendent of public instruction, has been put to work inspecting the papers of some 3,500 teachers who participated in the recent examination conducted throughout the state. They are located in the senate chamber. The work will be concluded in about ten days.

TANKE SEEKS PARDON

Life Prisoner May Turn Out to Be a Bigamist

Johann Tanke, sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of John Welner, a Nicollet county farmer, wants to get out of the penitentiary. If he succeeds he will have other troubles, for it appears he is a bigamist as well as a murderer.

Tanke's wife No. 1 and parents have petitioned President Roosevelt for a pardon and the papers have been sent to Gov. Van Sant.

Tanke married Mrs. Welner, the widow of his victim, and was tried at St. Paul in 1895. It was an action by the Allen-West commission company, of St. Louis, respondent, against the Smith-Paulino company, cotton planters of Arkansas, appellant. The suit was originally brought to recover three accounts of \$1,025, \$1,187.50 and \$508, due on Sept. 1, 1892, 1893 and 1894, respectively. The accounts were originally brought to the commission company had against the planters for failure to deliver a specified quantity of cotton annually.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS A NEW ENGINE

It Can Throw Two Streams at the Same Time

The fire department yesterday received a new fire engine, the Metropolitan type, built by the American-La France company, of Seneca Falls, New York. It is of the most improved type and is capable of throwing two streams simultaneously. The engine will be tested by the fire commissioners before it is accepted, but the date for the test has not yet been set.

When the engine was purchased an old reserve Selby engine was given as part of the consideration. Chief Jackson has not yet decided which house the engine will be assigned.

Bogus Check Man Gets Ninety Days

Robert Hoffman, who passed a forged check for \$25 on Tuesday at a hotel keeper at 197 West Third street, pleaded guilty to petit larceny in police court yesterday and was sentenced to ninety days in the workhouse by Judge Hine.

TAX UNDER ESTATE

Equalization Board Votes to Keep It on Roll

Yesterday it was decided by the county board of equalization to keep the Wilder estate on the tax rolls for the present, pending the outcome of litigation involving the right of the testators to have their property to the poor of Ramsey county.

This involves all the real and personal property left by Mrs. Wilder and her daughter, Mrs. Appleby. The board decided to make the record in such shape that it will be known that there is no intention of collecting taxes from the estate of the testator should eventually decide that it is to be devoted to charitable purposes.

C. N. Bell, appearing as attorney for executors of the will, said that a tax should not be imposed on the estate, as it would eventually be devoted to charitable purposes in Ramsey county. The board, however, should eventually decide that it is to be devoted to charitable purposes in Ramsey county.

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WILL REPORT AGAINST PAVING OF TENTH ST.

Confirms Assessment for Macadamizing West Seventh Street

In accordance with the expressed wishes of a majority of the property owners interested, the board of public works agreed yesterday to report adversely upon the proposal to pave Tenth street between blocks between Cedar and Jackson streets. Petitions that had been received from the property owners maintained that a new pavement was unnecessary, and that the macadam laid some years ago can be effectively repaired.

The assessment was confirmed for macadamizing West Seventh street from Tuscarora street to the Fort Snelling bridge. Three-quarters of the cost is already completed.

The proposed improvement will cost the property owners of Seventh street only 50 cents a foot, or \$14,000 in all. About \$30,500 will be paid out of the general fund. The expense is still further reduced by the present estimate that the James Forrestal company secured the contract for some \$14,000 less than the city engineers' estimate. The plan is to be crushed, that is to be used for the macadamizing should, it is said, make an ideal suburban road.

LITIGATION TEN YEARS' OLD ENDED

United States Circuit Court of Appeals Finds for Commission

Judge Walter H. Sanborn, of the United States circuit court of appeals, yesterday filed an opinion finally disposing of a case which had been litigated since 1895. It was an action by the Allen-West commission company, of St. Louis, respondent, against the Smith-Paulino company, cotton planters of Arkansas, appellant. The suit was originally brought to recover three accounts of \$1,025, \$1,187.50 and \$508, due on Sept. 1, 1892, 1893 and 1894, respectively. The accounts were originally brought to the commission company had against the planters for failure to deliver a specified quantity of cotton annually.

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But Farmer Hutten Is Told It's Unlawful to Kill Them Now

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REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FACES FAMILY ROW

Chairman Hamlin's Reported Intention to Overlook Eli S. Warner in the Naming of the Executive Campaign Committee Has Aroused Friends of the St. Paul Dunn Leader—Followers of Chairman Say Campaign May Be Directed Without Executive Committee if Dispute Continues

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REPORTS POOR CROP

J. J. Sutton Says Yield Will Be Small in Marshall County

J. J. Sutton, of Argyle, says the crops in Marshall county will be far from good. The yield of wheat will be small for the reason that the late season, the wet weather and the cold has had a most deteriorating effect. Early sown grain will be benefited by the present weather, while that which was sown late requires a hot sun to cause it to thrive.

Between the Snake and Red rivers a large amount of wheat was not sown until about June and this is full of weeds and other foul growth. The water stood on the land so long that the wheat could not get a start, and the opportunity to germinate and the grain is being choked by the rank vegetation. The wheat is uneven, the straw is of all lengths, and the yield is not more than ten bushels to the acre, according to his estimates. Harvesting will be two weeks late.

Mr. Sutton says that while some fields show a good stand there are others which are not worth cutting. Oats and barley are a fair crop. From Goodhue county there come the best of reports. The yield is excellent, harvesting of oats has begun and some wheat will be cut this week. A splendid yield is assured the farmers around Zumbina where a thirty-bushel crop is expected.

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George Meyer, resident manager for the Booth company, identified the goods as the property of his company, and said that it had been taken from the store. The men had their cases continued until Wednesday.

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St. Paul Dunn Leader Ignored by Chairman of State Central Committee

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HACKMAN ARRESTED

Cabbies Have First Round of Row With Bus Company

As a result of a dispute between the hackmen who stand at the Union depot and the Cook Omnibus company, over the right of the former to occupy a space of twenty feet set aside by order of the chief of police for the latter, John Lunkenheimer, a hackman, was arrested yesterday morning on a warrant charging him with violating a city ordinance which gives the chief of police the right to prescribe the space which the hackmen are allowed to use.

The dispute has been of long standing and in 1898 was in the state supreme court on the question of the right of the chief of police or a person to whom he delegates the duty, to set aside the police space set aside for the transfer company. Judge Hine held that the ordinance under which the chief of police had made the regulation was valid, and that the police court, and will undoubtedly adhere to his former ruling.

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WIFE'S ABANDONED

Soldier in Trouble

Charles Selbach, a laborer employed in the Milwaukee yards, disappeared from his home, 908 Leavenworth street, a week ago, leaving his wife and a six-months-old baby. Selbach gave no intimation that he intended to leave, and when he failed to return last week his wife was prostrated and sent for her mother Mrs. Mary Korson, of Brown, Minn.

Mrs. Selbach is in a serious condition as a result of worrying over her husband's disappearance and her mother decided to take her to her home. The household effects were packed and shipped yesterday to Brown.

Selbach is twenty-nine years old, and had been employed as a blacksmith and recently worked in the Milwaukee freight yards. His wife informed the police of the disappearance of her husband Saturday and they referred her to the county attorney's office, where a warrant was issued. No trace of Selbach has been found.

PROTESTS AGAINST ITS ASSESSMENT

St. Paul Brick Company Contends Property Was Valued Too Highly

The St. Paul Brick company, through Jared How, attorney, protested before the board of equalization yesterday against an assessment of \$22,000 on the Manhattan brewery property, two-thirds of which has been purchased by the company, and the other third owned by the First National bank.

Mr. How contended that as the company purchased the proportion of the property for \$2,250 he could not see how it could be assessed for more, and held that the bank was willing to pay on the same basis. He also argued that the brick company proposed to establish a new enterprise giving employment to a number of men, and should not be taxed on a basis of cost.

The application was taken under consideration.

FATHER RELENTS AND TAKES SON FROM JAIL

Oscar Quehl Charged With Housebreaking Released on Parent's Bond

By his action yesterday Paul Quehl, well-known in business circles and for many years a county commissioner, has, to an extent, forgiven his son, Oscar Quehl, who has spent some weeks in the county jail awaiting the action of the grand jury on the charge of housebreaking.

The father yesterday appeared before Judge Kelly in chambers and signed a bond in the sum of \$300 to insure the appearance of his son in court. Young Quehl had a preliminary examination in police court on July 25 when he was held to await indictment, since which he has been in the county jail, the father giving no indication that he purposed to assist the young man.

Directly the bond was filed the young man was released from prison and went to his home in company with his father.

FOLK OWN CARROLL MAY MOVE INTO NEW CAPITAL BY DEC. 1

SEE MANY SNAKES

Can snakes be listed in the same category with domestic animals if they are kept as pets, and can a person who keeps reptiles for commercial purposes or as an amusement be held liable in the same manner as owners of horses, cows and dogs if they stray from their places of confinement?

Dr. Ohage, health commissioner, and incidentally interested in a number of reptiles at the Harriet island zoo, wrestled with this question for a while yesterday, and finally submitted it to Assistant Corporation Attorney Helmes for an opinion.

The matter was brought up by a unique complaint at the health department, and Dr. Ohage, anxious to act according to law, and also wishing to learn the status of reptile wards, appealed to the legal department.

The communication came from a man residing on Carroll street, whose name is withheld, and declared that a whole neighborhood is in a state of alarm as a result of a number of snakes belonging to Charles P. Zinn, 282 Rondo street, escaping and wandering at large. The complainant stated that Zinn was maintaining a nuisance and called upon the health department to have it abated.

Not long ago another snake, so the complainant stated, had escaped and had been run over by a street car on Rondo street, and shortly before that another had found its way to Carroll street, where it had been killed by boys.

All the trouble was caused by an innocent collection of reptiles which Zinn keeps partly for amusement and partly for business purposes. He has been collecting snakes for several years, and has a choice variety. He is a manufacturing jeweler, and uses the skins of snakes in the making of women's belts. The reptiles are kept in a box in his barn in the rear of his residence and every possible precaution is taken to prevent their escaping. Those that got away escaped through an accident, and Mr. Zinn regrets that he lost them. He says he will use every means available to prevent any more going at large.

ARCHITECT CASS GILBERT THINKS IT WILL BE READY FOR OCCUPANCY THEN

At the regular meeting of the state capitol commission, to be held today, Cass Gilbert, architect of the building, will report that the capitol, so far as he could judge after an inspection yesterday, will be ready for occupancy by the end of November. Part of the interior work, especially the decorations, may not be completed so soon, but such work could be finished without inconveniencing the state officers and their assistants.

"I was gratified to learn what good progress is being made at the capitol," said Mr. Gilbert yesterday. "They are even putting furniture into some of the rooms. I see no reason why the building shouldn't be ready to receive the legislature.

"Arrangements will probably be made tomorrow for grading the capitol grounds, filling excavations, removing rubbish, etc., but the detailed improvement of the grounds, I believe, will be put off until next spring."

Mr. Gilbert will submit a report that the commission has been awaiting upon the matter of special electric lighting fixtures.

At the last meeting of the board the Mitchell-Vance company, of New York, and the Sterling Bronze company, of Philadelphia, both bid upon contracts for supplying the "standard" lighting fixtures and the "special" fixtures. Standard fixtures, made according to standard designs, are intended for use in the less important apartments of the capitol; special fixtures, manufactured after special patterns, will be reserved for the governor's room, the senate chamber, the house of representatives, the supreme court room, and other thrones of the mighty.

The bid of the Mitchell-Vance company on standard fixtures was accepted. The total sum named being \$114,405. But action upon the special fixtures bids was deferred until today. Mr. Gilbert was requested to make certain investigations, meanwhile, that would free the commissioners' fancy from any artistic doubt. They desire that the stately chandeliers of the marble capitol, especially those in the legislative chambers, may be ornate, yet not gaudy, symbolic though never mystical; of a nature to uplift the thought of the legislator recumbent at his desk without hypnotizing him, by unbecoming suggestion, into premature, indiscreet slumber.

SOLDIER IN TROUBLE

Caught Driving Mendota Grocer's Missing Horse

William Tweed, private of the Thirtieth battery, Fort Snelling, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detective Rowland charged with stealing a horse and wagon belonging to Julius Batker, a grocer at Mendota.

The rig was taken from South Washington street and Fillmore avenue when it had been left while the owner went into a saloon. Tweed, who had been in the saloon went out as Batker entered, and climbing into the wagon, drove away.

Tweed notified the police of the disappearance of the horse and wagon. In the wagon was about \$16 worth of groceries and tobacco, which Batker had purchased in the city for his store.

Late in the afternoon Detective Rowland found the soldier driving the rig from South St. Paul and placed him under arrest. Under arrest he admitted that the horse and wagon were his. Only three packages of tobacco were found when he was arrested. He refused to tell where he had been.

NETTED HOUSE OF GOOD SHEPHERD \$3,918.33

Ball Game Between Twin City League Teams Realized That Sum

The committee that arranged the ball game covered Sept. 10, last year, for the benefit of the House of Good Shepherd, has been invited to meet at 8 o'clock tonight at Knights of Columbus hall, 77 Robert street. Plans will be made for another game to be played Aug. 19 for the benefit of the same institution. This year, as last, the contestants will be the league teams of the Twin Cities.

The all announcement of the committee meeting publishes for the first time the receipts and disbursements on account of the game last year as follows:

Receipts—From W. L. Kelly Jr., and John Gaffey, tickets, sales at rate, reserved seats and programmes, \$396.50 From George T. Redington, ticket sales by committee, 2,150.00 Donations, 68.99 Programme advertising, 1,549.00 Total, \$4,154.50

Disbursements—Minnesota Baseball club, \$150.00 incidental expenses, 86.17 Total, \$236.17 Net proceeds paid Sisters of Good Shepherd, \$3,918.33

The chairman of the citizen committee last year was Dr. E. W. Buckley and the treasurer was C. M. Crowley.

SHOEMEN ENJOY A TRIP TO ISLE ROYALE

They Left Twin Cities Sunday and Will Return Tomorrow

The members of the Northwestern Shoemakers and Leather association, who have been enjoying an outing at Isle Royale, Lake Superior, are expected home tomorrow morning. They left the Twin Cities Sunday morning on the Gopher state express over the Great Northern road, taking a special chair car and a "full" dining car. They sailed from Duluth Sunday afternoon, on the steamer Easton, of the White Line Transportation company.

Stopping places during the voyage included Two Harbors, Grand Marais and Port Arthur. The shoemen expected to reach Washington Harbor, Isle Royale, at 11:30 o'clock a. m. yesterday and to start from there on their return trip exactly twenty-four hours later. They are due at Duluth at 11 o'clock tonight.

ST. PAUL FIRMS GET HALF OF THE CONTRACTS

State Board of Control Announces Its Awards for the Present Quarter

St. Paul firms secure nearly half of the seventy-nine contracts awarded by the state board of control for the quarter ending Oct. 31. They secure a total of thirty-seven contracts and will receive more than half of the money expended, about \$100,000.

The dry goods contract was divided between Wyman, Partridge & Co., of Minneapolis, and Finch, Young & McConville and Tibbs, Hutchings & Co., of St. Paul.

In groceries the winners were Foley Bros. & Co., Seabury & Co., Griggs Cooper & Co., of St. Paul; L. Patterson Mercantile company, of Mankato; Green-De Laitre Co., and Anthony Kelly & Co., of Minneapolis.

Following is a list of the contracts awarded:

- The Successful Bidders
- Dry Goods—Wyman, Partridge & Co., Minneapolis; Finch, Young & McConville, Tibbs, Hutchings & Co., St. Paul.
- Meats—W. A. Schurmeier, St. Paul; Wyman, Partridge & Co., Minneapolis; F. A. Patrick & Co., Duluth.
- Groceries—Foley Bros. & Co., Minneapolis; H. Choate & Co., Winona.
- Hardware—Wyman, Partridge & Co., Minneapolis; H. Choate & Co., Winona.
- Blankets—The Beckman company, Chicago; Wyman, Partridge & Co., Minneapolis; Finch, Young & McConville, St. Paul.
- Boots and Shoes—Gottlieb & Co., W. B. & Jordan company, St. Paul.
- Hats—W. A. Schurmeier, St. Paul; W. A. Schurmeier, St. Paul; W. A. Schurmeier, St. Paul; W. A. Schurmeier, St. Paul.
- Clothing—The Boston, Plymouth Clothing company, Minneapolis.
- Groceries—Foley Bros. & Co., St. Paul; Sprague, Warner & Co., Reid, Murdoch & Co., Chicago; Minnesota Mercantile company, St. Paul; Franklin McVeigh & Co., Chicago.
- Beans—L. Patterson Mercantile company, Mankato; Foley Bros. & Co., St. Paul.
- Rice—Seabury & Co., St. Paul.
- Rollod Oats—Griggs Cooper & Co., Foley Bros. & Co., St. Paul; L. Patterson Mercantile company, Mankato.
- Cracked Wheat—Sprague, Warner & Co., Chicago.
- Gelatine—Sprague, Warner & Co., Chicago.
- Crackers and Crackers—Sawyer Biscuit company, Chicago.
- Canned Fruits—Griggs Cooper & Co., St. Paul.
- Canned Vegetables—Griggs Cooper & Co., St. Paul.
- Canned Tomatoes—Seabury & Co., St. Paul.
- Canned Corn—Green-De Laitre company, Minneapolis; Griggs Cooper & Co., St. Paul.
- Dried Fruits—Foley Bros. & Co., Griggs Cooper & Co., St. Paul; W. A. Schurmeier, St. Paul.
- Fruit Butters—Griggs Cooper & Co., St. Paul.
- Sugar—Green-De Laitre company, Anthony Kelly & Co., Minneapolis; Griggs Cooper & Co., St. Paul.
- Tobacco—Minnesota Mercantile company, Mankato.
- Pharmaceuticals—Noves Bros. & Cutter, St. Paul.
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- Crochery and Glassware—McDonald Bros., Minneapolis; E. S. Gregory, Winona; Ogden, Merrill & Greer, G. Somers & Co., St. Paul.