

NEWS OF THE CITY

SENATOR COLLIER TO GIVE COUNTY ASSESSOR BILL AN EARLY START

Democratic Lawmaker From Scott County to Renew His Attempt to Reform Present System of Making Tax Assessments—Author Says the Measure Will Round Up Considerable of Property Now Escaping Assessment and Will Give State Increased Taxable Valuation of About \$35,000,000

Senator Julius A. Collier, of Scott county, will introduce in the early days of the session of the state senate his bill providing for county assessors.

Senator Collier was in St. Paul yesterday. He said that he would present his county assessor bill to the senate and would make a hard effort to secure its passage through the two houses of the legislature. He will make some important change in the bill from the provisions incorporated in it two years ago. The amended bill will provide for the appointment of the county assessors by a commission consisting of the governor, the attorney general and the state auditor.

Merits of Bill Known

"My plan is not new to the people of the state, for its merits were quite thoroughly exploited at the last session," said Senator Collier yesterday. "I introduced the bill so late in the session two years ago that it failed to pass, but I expect to have it under consideration early in the present session and will make an earnest effort to convince the members that it is a meritorious measure."

"The bill aims to provide a plan similar to that which has worked so well in Ramsey county by making the county one assessment district and naming

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a county assessor to make the assessment. This would do away with the services of the township assessors, many of whom, while honest, have not the business experience and knowledge of values necessary to a good assessment. The plan proposed in my bill will eliminate, too, the inequalities so often found in township assessments, even in the same county.

More Money for State

"But the greatest benefit which the measure will give the state will be the assessment of a great deal of property which now escapes taxation. I have examined into the subject with some care, and find that a low estimate of the increased taxable valuation which the measure will give the state is \$35,000,000. This is a point, it seems to me, that should interest the taxpayers of the state, and the senate will doubtless give my bill the attention which its importance warrants."

Senator Collier mingled with the large number of Republican state senators in St. Paul yesterday. As one of the minority, he said that Republican differences over the senatorship and the patronage of the senate had small interest for him. He believed, however, from his talks with the Republican leaders of the senate, that there was a disposition to make few changes in the senate elective positions from those of two years ago.

MANY SMALL FIRES

Department Has Busy Day With Little Blazes

The fire department was on the run all day yesterday covering small blazes in different parts of the city. Only one of the fires was of all serious damage in the other cases being trifling.

The grocery store of J. F. Beals, 119 Prairie street, was badly scorched by a fire which started on the second floor from the chimney yesterday morning. The building was practically destroyed, and the stock of the store was much damaged by fire, smoke and water. The loss to the building is estimated at \$300 and to the stock \$200.

A candle left burning on a studding in a barn belonging to A. Grossman, 252 Constant street, caused a fire early yesterday morning. The candle had been forgotten by a boy when he went in to hitch a team of horses, and about an hour after the barn was discovered in flames. The loss to the building is estimated at \$50 and to the feed, hay and harness \$10.

Fire broke out in a closet of a flat occupied by Charles Steele, 225 Arundel street. The origin of the blaze could not be learned. The damage to clothing in the closet amounted to \$50.

The loss on the building was slight. While lighting a match at 132 East Ninth street yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock a girl accidentally set fire to a lace curtain. The fire department was called and the blaze was extinguished with a chemical. The loss amounted to \$10.

Another run was made to the city dump, Third and Commercial streets, where a heap of refuse caught fire.

CRAWFORD GETS LIMIT FOR SWINDLING MAN

Three-Card Monte Artist Will Spend Five Years in Prison

Five years in state prison was the sentence imposed upon Charles Crawford yesterday by Judge Brill for swindling A. R. McLeod out of \$500 several months through a card trick resembling three card monte. Crawford was found guilty by a jury last Thursday after brief deliberation. The prisoner received the maximum sentence for his crime. He was an old offender, on whose behalf no extenuating circumstances could be alleged.

FOR TWENTY YEARS

Not an Unusual Instance

"I used Pyramid Pile Cure and have not had any trouble since. I have been a sufferer with piles for twenty years. I think it is the best remedy on earth for piles. Hoping this may help others to use this remedy," Mrs. J. D. Teller, R. F. D. 20, Sparta, Mich.

It is a singular fact that although many women suffer from piles, or hemorrhoids, they frequently do not have proper treatment because of a delicacy women have in mentioning such a subject. Especially is this the case with those who have no husband or brother in whom they can confide; and a physician is seldom consulted until the pain and agony incident to piles becomes unbearable.

Thousands of women have suffered even longer than did Mrs. Teller, always experiencing slight or temporary relief, if any, from the various remedies used and finally settling down to the conviction that a cure in their cases was impossible. Pyramid Pile Cure has come as a boon to all such, as it seldom, if ever, fails to effect a permanent cure. It is sold by druggists for fifty cents a package, or will be mailed by the makers at any address, upon receipt of price. Absolute secrecy is guaranteed, and no name is ever without the consent of the writer.

It is suggested that those interested write to Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich., for their literature describing the cause and cure of piles, as it is sent free for the asking.

CHINESE IN SCHOOL

Kwang Su's Subjects Secure Privilege of City Institutions

Encouraged by the example of two Japanese boys who have taken up studies at the Central high school, a Chinese man and boy have decided to study in St. Paul public schools, and have secured certificates of admission from the school board.

Chin Sing, a seventeen-year-old lad, was granted a certificate Friday, and Hum See, twenty-five years old, yesterday received permission from Supt. Smith to become a tuition pupil at the Madison school. Though twenty-five years old, Hum See can talk and understand little of the English language, so his first task will be to learn the A, B, C's.

"The Japanese boys have already proved themselves apt scholars, and I expect that they will make a fine showing within a year," said Supt. Smith. "They are energetic and absorb knowledge easily. The only trouble with them is that they are too zealous and wish to get ahead of their teachers. I hope the Chinese pupils will do as well."

DEFENDANT TO COLLECT FROM THE PLAINTIFF

Odd Decision is Handed Down in Partnership Dispute

The defendant in the case of Roch J. Lizee against Frank Robert Jr. is authorized to collect more from the plaintiff than the plaintiff sued for, according to a decision filed yesterday by Judge Kelly in the district court. To adjust a partnership dispute Mr. Lizee, who had been interested with Mr. Robert in railroad contracts, sought to recover from Mr. Robert \$356.11. But Judge Kelly directs that Mr. Robert take judgment against Mr. Lizee for \$356.75. It is further ordered that the partnership be dissolved.

REID IS FIRST TO SLIP ON ICY WALK

Yesterday's Snow Flurry Responsible for Citizen's Hard Fall

M. Reid, 251 Farrington avenue, slipped on the snowy pavement at Nelson and Farrington avenues yesterday and suffered a serious contusion of the forehead as a result of striking against the curbstone. He was severely stunned, and the police ambulance was called to remove him to his home.

Northwestern Patents

List of patents issued this week to Northwestern inventors, reported by Lothrop & Johnson, patent lawyers, 911 and 912 Pioneer Press building, St. Paul, Minn., and Washington, D. C.: Joseph Dunford, Canton, Minn., gate; Edward Egermayer, Pisek, N. D., door and seat lock mechanism for automobiles; Magnus P. Elgen, Wrenshall, Minn., automatic lubricator; Andrew Feiring, Esmond, N. D., leveling bolster for separators; Charles Heinze, Clifford, N. D., rotary engine; Marilla Hillman, Minneapolis, Minn., double boiler; Herman Meyer, St. Paul, Minn., boiler furnace; Alvin Porter, Minneapolis, Minn., transfer pad; William Rinker, St. Paul, Minn., bottle card holder; Richard Russell, Stephen, Minn., road grading and ditching machine; Ira Severance, Minneapolis, Minn., rotary engine; Charles Wallen, Minneapolis, Minn., shower bath apparatus; Frank Witzig, Minneapolis, Minn., attachment for hitching straps.

Supper and Sale

The ladies of the Temple Guild will hold a sale at the Temple, on Holly and Avon streets, Thursday, Dec. 8, afternoon and evening. A special feature will be a country store. A home-cooked supper will be served from 6 to 8 p. m.

Samson's Lining Silk

At Silk Department.

JUST A FULL assortment of colors and black. Special Monday, only per yard—

FOR A FLYER 49c

For Monday, December 5, We Announce

A Powers Sale of Dress Goods.

YOU KNOW FROM PAST SALES WHAT THAT MEANS.



75c All Wool Dress Goods for 39c
200 pieces assorted kinds and styles new desirable goods, including Fancy Weave Albatross—50-in. Ladies Cloth—54-in. Repellant Cloths—Venetian Cloths—Scotch Tweeds—Mohair Plaids—Plain color all wool French Flannels—Homespun Suitings—etc., etc. Special Monday—choice per yard..... 39c

59c Flannels and Challies for 23c
All wool Tricot Flannel—Figured all wool Flannel—all wool French Challis—etc. Prices were to 59c, Monday's special sale price per yard..... 23c

\$1.00, \$1.25 Dress Good for 69c
50-in. all wool Chevriots—54-in. Homespun—48-in. wool Granite Cloths—all wool Crepe de Chine—50-in. all wool Venetian Cloths—58-in. mixed Suitings and Skirtings, at Monday's sale special per yard..... 69c

85c Fancy Waistings for 59c
Monday we offer you unrestricted choice of our entire large assortments of fine imported or Domestic Fancy Waistings, at per yard special..... 59c

Monday Specials From the Finest Black Dress Goods Stock in the Northwest.

39c Plain and Jacquard weaves Wool and Worsted, 38 to 44 inches wide, special Monday per yard 15c.

55c 50-inch All Wool Black Chevriots, special Monday per yard 39c.

65c 50-inch Black All Wool Chevriots, special Monday per yard 48c.

\$1.00 Silk-and-wool Crepe de Chine, special for Monday per yard 73c.

39c 54-inch Repellant Cloths, special Monday per yard 25c.

50c All Wool Venetian, special Monday per yard 35c.

85c 66-inch Panama Chevriots, special Monday, per yard, 59c.

\$1.50 to \$2.50 Goods for 98c
Fine 56-in. all wool Suitings—56-in. checked Broadcloths—58-in. Tourist Coating Cloths—55-in. Mannish Suitings—Imported Novelties—fine French Voiles—Silk-and-wool Crepes—Silk-and-wool Eolians—54-in. English Mohairs—50-in. fancy English Sicillians—assorted lots Worsteds Goods—52-in. Waterproof Suitings—etc. Priced for Monday's sale at per yard..... 98c

A Very Extra Special.
All wool Dress Flannels— and broken assortment of all wool Albatross; reduced to close out quickly— choice Monday, per yard..... 29c

A Rare Value This.
Satin Striped Challies— and Satin Striped Cords (a broken assortment)— They went last very long at Monday's extremely low price, choice per yard..... 19c

75c French Flannels for 57c
Finest French Figured Flannels, newest and most desirable patterns; the regular 75c quality, Monday special, per yard..... 57c

69c 50-inch Mohair Sicillian, special Monday per yard 45c.

50c Fancy Weave All Wool Albatross, special Monday per yard 39c.

Fine Silk Warp Eolians, special Monday per yard 85c.

Oddities for Christmas Gifts

Anything new and suitable for presents to men is always hailed with joy. This year "men things" are to be had in wood, hand-carved and colored exquisitely. The articles range from match safes in the shape of lion and monk heads to pipe and stein racks of various sizes, and they range in price all the way from 20c for a small match safe, to \$10 for a stunning stein rack.

One of the handsomest of the stein racks is a weathered oak frame in which is carved an Arab head colored so as to seem like a piece cast in bronze. A tracing piece has horses carved on it and jockeys colored like a painted picture. There are pictures of the North wind, the grain of the wood cleverly manipulated to serve for hair. An unique pipe rack is a lion's head with mouth wide stretched to hold the pipes. There are pipe racks light with delft pictures. Nothing more suitable for a present to a man could be found.

Japanese articles have never been lovelier, nor has there ever been offered such a variety to choose from. A more beautiful collection of Cloisonne ware it would be hard to find.

Japanese gong-sets may be had for \$1.00 upward. There's a great variety in coloring. Designs green and lilacs and dull old blues and dull gold; are among the newest, and there are the Japanese reds and browns with quaint designs in black and gold.

Japanese five o'clock teas are from \$2 to \$3.50. They are in brown metal. New to the season are the pieces in un-tarnishable Japanese metal which look like wrought brass with raised figures in bright pewter. All sorts of articles come in this metal—playing card cases, crumb trays and brushes, match safes, ash trays, brush and comb trays, and a host of small articles. They range in price from a few cents up to \$1.50.

Few people are aware what quaint things may be picked out of the big collection of Swedish and Finnish art pottery. No words can exactly describe the colorings of the uniquely shaped red and green Swedish pitchers. They're the richest of greens topped by a leaf design in the richest of reds like nothing else under the sun. Then there are beautiful yellows mixed with brown and all are signed pieces.

Great as Have Been Our Displays in Past Years This Season's Stocks of Dolls, Toys and Games Were Never Equaled

The Gigantic assortments and varieties are fully as large as any three stocks in the Twin Cities combined.

Games—games—without number almost. All the good old popular games, such as Dominoes, Checkers, Backgammon, Lotto, Parchesi, Jack Straws, Halma, India, Louis, Messenger Boy, Authors, etc., etc., and all the popular new games, including Pit, Panic, Bunco, Filch, Sherlock Holmes, Fascination, etc. Our prices are lowest.

Blocks of all kinds for the little ones—Nest Blocks, Picture Blocks, A, B, C Blocks, Building Blocks, also Scroll Puzzles and Sliced Pictures at low prices.

Mechanical Toys—About seventy-five distinct styles, among them Engines, Automobiles, Wagons, Trucks, Boats, Complete Mill and Manufacturing Plants, etc. Prices from 19c to..... \$25

Miscellaneous Toys—Including Toy Trucks, Toy Telescopes, Toy Dishes, Toy Furniture and Toy Typewriters; in fact hundreds and hundreds of different kinds. You'll find all are marked very low.

Dolls by Thousands—Every kind from every clime; the variety is almost endless. Prices from, each 1c up to..... \$2.15

Wooden Toys—Rocking Horses, Shoo-Flies Tool Chests, Planos, Writing Desks, Black Boards, Doll Carriages, Go-Carts, Sleds, Skis, (skates) Ten Pins, Bagatelle, etc., at low prices.

Iron Toys—Trains, Engines, Hook and Ladder Trucks, Fire Patrol, Police Patrol, Ice Wagons, Trucks, Phaetons, Bell Toys, Banks, Stoves, Ranges, Skates, etc. Prices are very low.

Musical Toys—Pianos, Accordions, Harmonicas, Taps, Drums, Horns, etc. reasonably low priced.

Fancy Bric-a-Brac, Etc. for Gifts.

OUR immense stocks of Chipa, Crockery, Glassware, etc., are teeming with thousands and thousands of richly beautiful articles that are unusually appropriate as remembrances at Christmas time.

Some of them are useful as well as ornamental— among the several lines are Lamps, Globes, Portable Lamps, Vases without number, Jardinieres and Pedestals, beautiful Bric-a-Brac, exquisite Japanese China-ware, Steins, Glassware and Crockery in unlimited variety— including Water Sets, Wine Sets, Chocolate Sets, Sugars and Creams, Berry Sets, Ice Cream Sets, Game and Fish Sets, Bal-ads, Fancy Cake Plates,



Our prices are well known to be lower than in any other Twin City Store.

Women's Dainty Neckwear.

At 1-3 Under Price.

OVER a thousand dozen of the prettiest and most wanted sorts of Women's Neckwear just received and have their first showing Monday.

Handsome Pt. Venise Lace Stocks, with fine Oriental Jabot, each one in a box; would sell quickly at 50c each, special price at..... 35c

Extra Fine Pt. Venise Lace Stocks, with full chiffon lace Jabot, one in a box; the \$1.00 quality, each..... 65c

Embroidered Linen Collars with ribbon eyelets—white and all colors; each..... 10c

Scores of entirely new Novelties; beautifully made; should sell for 35c; each, specially priced at..... 25c

Pt. Venise Stock Collars, white, butter or ecru, special, each..... 10c

New Showings of Crepe de Chine Scarfs and Squares, in plain, printed or embroidered effects, each..... \$3.50

Our Stock of Handkerchiefs

Is greater than the combined stocks of any three Twin City stores, and prices are much lower than in any store—wholesale or retail.

Lace Curtain Sale Monday.

Third Floor....First Avenue.

FRENCH Hand-Made Renaissance Lace Curtains, 3 yards long and full width, either white or Arabian color, assorted patterns; regular price \$3.00 per pair; your choice Monday from this splendid assortment, pair..... \$1.78

Beautiful Cable Nets, extra fine qualities, Renaissance and Hand-Made French Lace designs; our regular marked prices on nearly all of this lot, \$6.50 and \$5.75; your choice Monday for, pair..... \$3.98

Silk Floss Sofa Cushions.

WELL filled with best quality genuine Java silk floss; special prices for Monday only—

16 inch, 15c 22 inch, 37c
18 inch, 20c 24 inch, 48c
20 inch, 29c 26 inch, 56c

Keystone Rugs.

Third Floor.

A SPECIAL sale Monday of the well known "Keystone" Ingrain Rugs, room size, fast colors, reversible.

Size 6x9 feet, Monday special each... \$1.98
Size 7-6x9 feet, Monday special each... \$2.49
Size 9x9 feet, Monday special each... \$2.98
Size, 9x10-6 feet, Monday special each... \$3.17

Christmas Rockers and Chairs.

Furniture Dept.... Third Floor.

WHAT is more acceptable than a handsome, useful piece of furniture? If you intend to make several presents, or just one, of furniture buy it at POWERS where you know it is good and the best you can buy at whatever price you pay.

A Few Specials for Monday.
Three splendid values in Rockers; finely polished oak goods, which usually sell at \$6.50, \$7.00 and \$7.50, offered in one lot Monday at less than whole sale prices—choice..... \$3.98

Fine Rockers like picture, well made, saddle seats, mahogany finish; made to sell as \$5.00 rockers, special Monday each..... \$2.48

Beautiful Quartered Golden Oak Reception or Hall Chairs, like illustration, fine polish finish; such chairs are generally shown at \$4.50; our price Monday special..... \$2.98

Child's Couches, over three feet long, upholstered with fine plush or fancy velours. This is the only lot of these goods we shall offer before Christmas, if you want one come Monday—special each..... \$1.98



Our Book Section

The Northwest's Largest and Best Book Store.

We sell more books than any store west of Chicago. All new and desirable books can be had at the book section as soon as published.

Prices are never lower elsewhere than here.

If there is anything in books that we haven't in stock we can procure it for you in shortest possible time.

IN ADDITION TO THE ADVANTAGES OF LARGEST STOCKS, BEST ASSORTMENTS AND LOWEST PRICES YOU GET SOMETHING MORE WHEN YOU TRADE AT THIS STORE—ASK FOR IT.

A Unique Exhibit in Book Section

Our Second Annual Exhibition of Original Drawings, by America's foremost Artists and Illustrators of the season's most popular books, December 1st to 15th—inclusive.

Through the courtesy of leading publishers, who have loaned us upwards of 200 original drawings, we are enabled to make this interesting display. These are the originals, made for the illustrating of the popular books of the year, and are the works of famous American artists. Many of these illustrations are done in oil, pastel, crayon and pen and ink, and are valued from \$5.00 to \$500.00, making a valuable collection, and one worthy your inspection.

We invite all to visit our Book Section and view this interesting exhibit. For your convenience we have issued a catalogue giving the name of the artist, the book and the publisher.

Among the Artists Represented in This Collection Are:

Howard Chandler Christy Andre Castaigne
C. M. Relyea Martin Justice
The Kinneys J. C. Yohn
Harrison Fisher Arthur E. Beecher
A. I. Keller Edith Truman
John Cecil Clay Frank T. Merrill

Granville Smith Frederic Kruger
Rose Cecil O'Neil Gazo Foudji
Florence Scovel Shine Seymour M. Stone

E. Boyd Smith Wm. Martin Johnson
Charles Copeland Philip R. Goodwin
Fernando Ludgren Blanche McManis

Our Silk Sale

Of last Monday was the largest and most successful ever held in the Northwest.

In a very short time we shall commence

Another Silk Sale

which will be larger and better in every respect than any previous sale in any Twin City store. It will pay you well to wait for it.