NEWS OF THE CITY

The temperature at 2:30 a. m. was 17 degrees above zero, a rise of 6 degrees since 7 p. m.

Joint Sessions—The senate and house committees on claims have agreed to hold joint hearings of bills carrying appropriations for claims against the state. It is urged that the practice will expedite the business of both houses.

Directors Chosen—The Northwestern Trust company has elected the following board of directors: Charles W. Ames, Haydn S. Cole, Robert R. Dunn, Frederic A. Fogg, George C. Power, Edward N. Saunders and Thomas Wilson.

Join Governor's Staff—F. W. Bergmeier, of St. Paul, was appointed a member of the governor's staff, with the rank of colonel, yesterday. Swan J. Turnblad and E. W. Murphy, of Minneapolis, were honored in the same way.

Injured Man Is Better—Charles Newquist, 370 Aurora avenue, vice president of the Capitol steam laundry, who was severely injured Saturday by being caught in a shaft at the company's plant, 744 Wabasha street, was slightly improved last night and was resting easily.

Lecture for Teachers—A lecture, under the auspices of the St. Paul Federation of Grade Teachers, will be delivered by Dr. W. N. Hailman, professor of pedagogy in the Chicago normal school, at the Central high school Saturday afternoon at 2:30. His subject will be "Common Sense in Education." Dr. Hailman is the author of numerous books on pedagogical subjects and was a pioneer in the kindergarten movement.

TRUST COMPANY IS SUED BY DULUTH MAN

Case Arises Out of Double Sale of a Judgment

The case of Frank L. Buell, suing the Security Trust company to recover $2,500, which he alleges due to him, was begun yesterday before a jury in Judge Orr's court room. A jury was secured without much trouble and before the case was adjourned at the close of yesterday the plaintiff had introduced all of his evidence and two witnesses for the defense had been examined.

The story brought out by the witnesses develops a very complicated system of dealings, with one judgment for $2,265.75, which was obtained in 1895 by the defendant company against Matthias Haug, Joseph and Elizabeth Mannheim, all of Duluth.

Buell alleges that he purchased the judgment from the banking company in 1895, paying them $50 to bind the sale which the company had offered to make to him for $700. For the balance of the payment he gave them a draft for $650 on a Duluth bank. He further alleges that the bank soon afterwards sold the judgment for a second time, in this instance to John G. Williams for $1,200, and that they had refused to cash the draft or recognize his deal with them.

The company is claiming, in defense, that Buell appeared before the officers of the institution in 1902, and represented to them that he had come upon behalf of Haug's friends in Duluth to buy up the judgment, that Haug himself was superintendent of the poor house and that his friends wished to put him on his feet without sending him through bankruptcy. Under these representations they gave Buell an option on the judgment and then investigated the story, which they claim to have found untrue. They allege that they then tendered Buell his $50, but that he refused to take it.

SON-IN-LAW AND SAVINGS DISAPPEAR

Coincidence Arouses Suspicion and Police Are Called in

Bernard Monsinger has disappeared from the home of his wife's mother, Mrs. E. Gruenke, 205 Aurora avenue, as has also $735 in cash and the police have been asked to search for both.

Monsinger, who, it is said, married Mrs. Gruenke's daughter last fall, did not come home to supper Monday evening and for some reason his mother-in-law suspected that something was wrong, and dug up her strong box to see if her money was safe. The roll was missing and Mrs. Gruenke now believes that her son-in-law could tell of its whereabouts if the police succeed in locating him.

Boiler Inspector Much Better

R. H. Johnston, state boiler inspector, returned to his office in the new capitol yesterday. He has been sick and confined to his home for the past week, his place being taken by W. A. Hawkinson, of Waseca, deputy inspector.

Milwaukee Pays on Tax

The seventh installment of the gross earnings tax of the Milwaukee road, amounting to $25,000, was turned into the state treasurer's office yesterday afternoon. It was the only large receipt of the day, the total only amounting to a little over $30,000.

McQUAID'S

SEVENTH AND CEDAR.

Last Monday we gave a $50.00 Sales Check Free with the order below just as it stands—no alterations. On Wednesday, Feb. 8th, we shall repeat the offer but shall allow you to substitute one sack of McQuaid's "100" Flour for any two items on the list.

THIS IS THE ORDER:

1 four-ounce can McQuaid's "100" Pepper 10c
1 four-ounce can McQuaid's "100" Cinnamon 15c
1-pound can McQuaid's "100" Baking Powder 40c
1 pound McQuaid's "100" Tea (any variety) 60c
3 pounds McQuaid's "100" Coffee 90c
1 eight-ounce bottle McQuaid's "100" Lemon Extract 40c
1 eight-ounce bottle McQuaid's "100" Vanilla Extract 45c
1 gallon can McQuaid's "100" Maple Syrup $1.25
1 ounce bottle McQuaid's "100" Perfume 50c
1 large bottle "Velvet Cream" Skin Softener 25c
Total $5.00

With This Order We Give Free

Ten Regular McQuaid Certificates

Remember, if there are any two items on this list that you do not want you may take them off by substituting in their stead

One Sack McQuaid's "100" Flour $3.25
(Positively no other alterations.)

7c Buys a can of White Haven Full Pack Baltimore Tomatoes.

RAILROADS' INCOME CUT FIVE MILLION

The Commission Reports Decrease in Earnings While Expenses Grow

Minnesota railroads in 1904 encountered an unsatisfactory condition. While there was a decrease of nearly $5,000,000 in their gross earnings, there was an enormous increase in operating expenses of nearly $900,000.

The twentieth annual report of the Minnesota railroad and warehouse commission, the advance sheets of which were made public by Secretary A. C. Clausen yesterday, is for the year ending Nov. 30, 1904. The report deals with the financial and physical operation of the railroads doing business in Minnesota and presents an interesting study in the relative prosperity of the state.

The new mileage built during the year was comparatively unimportant in comparison with the years when the state was being girdled by railroads in every direction. On June 30, 1904, there were in operation, not including local transfer lines, union depot tracks and private logging roads, 7,467.24 miles, an increase over the same date of 1903 of 217.20 miles. The increase is principally in the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, the Duluth, Missabe & Northern, the Duluth & Northern Minnesota, the Duluth, Virginia & Rainy Lake, the Great Northern, the Soo Line, the Minnesota & North Wisconsin and the Minnesota & International

Gross Earnings Decrease

The total gross earnings of the Minnesota roads is found to have been, from all sources, $63,257,702, as against $68,061,499, a loss in earnings of $4,803,797. Operating expenses for the year were $33,191,742, as compared with $32,302,296, a gain in this item of $889,446. The loss in net income for the year as compared to 1903 was $5,693,243.

The total amount of accrued interest on funded debt and current liabilities of Minnesota roads reported to the commission was $42,905,509, as against $40,007,124, a gain of more than $2,900,000. Of the accrued interest, only $788,873 was on current liabilities, the lion's share being on the funded debts. In rentals paid for the use of tracks of other railroads, the 1904 report shows a big decrease. For 1904 rentals amounted to $4,825,533, in 1903 the rentals aggregated $6,493,380, a decrease for the year of $1,667,847.

In the dividends paid the year 1904 leads all its predecessors and surpasses any year in the history of the state. This, however, is not due to any unusual earning power of the railroads for the year, but it is explained by the commission that it was because of the distribution by the Duluth & Iron Range and the Duluth, Missabe & Northern of accumulated net profits among their stockholders.

There were paid in dividends to stockholders of the roads in Minnesota $58,164,548, being $51,701,464 on common stock and $6,463,084 on preferred stock. The report of dividends for 1903 showed total distribution of dividends of $47,974,415, a total increase for the last year of $10,190,133. The distribution of the dividends, which do not include $1,200,000 paid in dividends by the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba, whose lines are leased by the Great Northern, was as follows:

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, common	$7,758,737
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, common	4,072,873
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, preferred	3,345,608
Chicago & North-Western, common	3,383,324
Chicago & North-Western, preferred	1,791,600
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, common	5,985,060
Chicago Great Western, debenture	1,044,976
Chicago Great Western, preferred	284,310
Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha, common	1,113,330
Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha, preferred	787,976
Duluth & Iron Range, common	4,500,000
Duluth, Missabe & Northern, common	3,768,750
Duluth Terminal, common	3,000
Great Northern, common	8,683,925
Green Bay & Western, common	100,000
Minnesota & International, common	7,500
Minneapolis & St. Louis, common	150,000
Minneapolis & St. Louis, preferred	200,000
Northern Pacific, common	10,849,989
Willmar & Sioux Falls, common	280,000
Mason City & Fort Dodge, preferred	53,590

State Taxes Increase

The commission reports that the railroads paid in taxes on their gross earnings for the year ending Dec. 31, 1903, $1,971,729.67, and for the previous year they paid $1,922,204.22, an increase of $49,525.45. The companies operating in this state have reported to the commission that their total earnings for the year ending June 30, 1904, were $344,612,514. They paid in taxes on these earnings $1,552,632, or .03352 per cent on their gross earnings. Back taxes have been collected from railroads during the year amounting to $5,042.38, and attention is called to the constitutional amendment by which the railroads of the state will pay a 4 per cent gross earnings tax for 1905 and succeeding years.

The surprising statement is made by the commission's report that but five persons traveling as passengers on Minnesota railroads were killed during the year. There were 290 injured. The record in 1903 was 11 killed and 175 injured. Twenty-six trainmen met death in the service and 493 were injured in 1904. The trainmen casualties in 1903 were 46 killed and 475 injured. Of switchmen, flagmen and watchmen, in 1904, there were 5 killed and 96 injured, as compared with 12 killed and 89 injured the previous year. Other employes were 12 killed and 93 injured, as against 15 killed and 97 injured in the year before. The mortality among trespassers, who are generally tramps stealing rides upon trains, was heavy. There were 107 killed and 91 injured, as against 106 killed and 77 injured. Fourteen non-trespassers met death about the railroads in 1904 and 49 were injured. Twenty-one of the same class were killed in 1903 and 38 injured. The total casualties of railroads for the year were 169 killed and 1,112 injured. The statistics for 1903 were 211 killed and 951 injured. In addition to these there were 476 employes, 11 passengers and 5 non-passengers injured from causes other than the movement of trains.

Sues for Potatoes

S. H. Hall & Co., yesterday began suit in the district court to secure damages in the sum of $344.20, which they allege is due them from the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company. The plaintiff company alleges that they consigned a car of potatoes to the defendant company last November for shipment from St. Paul to Orion, Ill., and that they were frozen and damaged to the extent of the damages asked while en route.

TRACE CONDITION OF CITY TO TAX RATE

Three Business Men Tell What Is the Matter With St. Paul

The three citizens of St. Paul who were selected yesterday by The Globe to suggest a plan to forward the interests of St. Paul considered the matter of taxes.

J. H. Beek laid stress on the fact that the street car company, by avoiding its proper share of taxes, put such a burden on the property owners that it was sufficient to account for much of the inactivity in real estate.

A veteran banker, who is a large real estate owner and connected with numerous local enterprises as stockholder and director, viewed the situation from the standpoint of expediency. He declined to allow the use of his name in connection with the statement on account of his business connections, but he had no hesitancy in declaring that the tax rate and assessed valuations of real estate acted as a factor in the situation.

Charles Michaud also declared that the tax rate is too high, but at the same time paid a high tribute to the solvency and solidity of St. Paul business institutions.

The meeting of the directors of the Commercial club which was to have considered the question propounded by The Globe was so occupied with routine matters that formal action on the question was put over. Several of the members discussed the matter before and after the session and all who had anything to say agreed with the position of The Globe that something should be done immediately for the betterment of business.

Blames Trolley Company

J. H. Beek, secretary St. Paul Jobbers and Manufacturers' union, said:

"The trouble with St. Paul is that it is in the control of several monopolies, among them being the street railway company. The effect of the street car company on the life of the city is the only phase of the matter stirred up by The Globe that I will go into, but it is enough in itself.

"One of the main things instrumental in driving away capital from investment in the city is the huge tax rate. This rate is made more emphatic by the fact that several great corporations escape taxes practically scot free. The result is that the property holders have to pay the freight and listen to the glittering generalities of the street car company's represenatives, when they tell how impossible it would be for the company to grant any relief.

"I would like to cite one instance. A friend of mine owns a pleasure boat. He bought it three years ago and paid $1,200 for it. He used it for two years and finally last summer a property owner approached him and offered to buy the boat. He asked my friend how much he valued the craft and it was quoted to him at $600.

"The intending buyer then offered my friend a piece of property assessed at $3,000 in exchange for the boat. The figures were carefully scrutinized, as was also the amount of taxes charged against the property. My friend refused the offer because he found that in spite of the valuation of $3,000 on the property, it could not be sold so that he could realize his investment, and if he held it his $600 would go glimmering in two years by the tax route.

"If the street car company could be made to pay its just proportion of the taxes, the question of taxes on other property in the city would be solved.

"The street car company is one of the obstacles standing in the way of St. Paul, and for the good of the town I hope it will be made to pay so that business interests will be relieved of the heavy burden of taxation."

What a Banker Tells

A prominent banker of St. Paul, a man with large property interests, including real estate and buildings in many parts of the city, said, in discussing the stand of The Globe for a revival in business in St. Paul:

"What is the matter with St. Paul? Well, in my opinion the only trouble with the city lies in the fact that the men who should be most interested in forwarding St. Paul fail utterly to do so.

"And yet there is a reason in their action. It is not wanton 'knocking,' but based to some extent on the conditions that exist.

"For instance, if a man came to any one of a dozen big moneyed men of the city, and should suggest that he had $100,000 to invest in building a fine apartment house, and should ask the judgment of the man of money, what do you suppose he would say? I know that in very many instances the would-be investor has been advised to give up the idea of building and put his money into bonds, which could be locked up in a vault and called upon when needed.

"Why? Well, simply because the rate of taxation in St. Paul is entirely too high under the present conditions. Real estate ought to be the main basis of wealth, but when assessed valuations are greater than the actual cash value of the property, how can the capitalists advise investments in it?

"This is a hard thing to say, but at present it is the truth. If there was more civism about the city and the money invested in bonds could be put to work in real estate or business, and the tax rate could be reduced, there is no doubt in my mind that St. Paul real estate would prove a better investment than the bonds that are now keeping the money out of local work. There will come a day when this will be done and when it comes the men who have funds tied up in bonds, and working elsewhere for the glory and beauty and commercial advantage of some other city, will tear their clothes to put it into the investments of the city where they make their homes."

Grocer Feels Taxes

Charles Michaud, the Seventh street grocer, in discussing the conditions, said:

"St. Paul is a fine city. I am glad to be a citizen of St. Paul. Business is good and the merchants of the city are solvent. There are few failures in St. Paul. But in spite of all those good things, there is something the matter with the town.

"It might be any one of a half dozen things, or all of them. The taxes are high, as I know from personal experience. I have property that stands me six times as much as it is worth, and is assessed way above what I would take for it. There must be a reason for that sort of thing, and, in company with hundreds of loyal people of St. Paul, I await the answer to the question propounded by The Globe."

Plumber Sues for Settlement

The case of George A. Kees vs. Joseph Horejs was on trial all yesterday before Judge Lewis. The case is one in which the plaintiff seeks to foreclose a mechanic's lien of $74.38, which he held upon the defendant's property. The plaintiff is a plumber and the defendant alleges that he has already overpaid him $70 on services rendered.

PANELS WILL RECITE STATE'S WAR HISTORY

Governor's Office Will Show Minnesota's Regiments in Action

The capitol commission at its monthly meeting yesterday agreed to an elaborate plan of panel decoration for the governor's reception room in the new capitol. The four panels in the room will be decorated with oil paintings, representing the participation by Minnesota regiments in the Civil war. The commission also received reports from its architect, Cass Gilbert, relating to agreements with the judges of the supreme court and the governor for the disposition of portraits of former judges of the court and of former governors of the state.

The pictures to fill the panels in the governor's reception room will be painted by artists to be selected by Mr. Gilbert. The first panel will show the charge of the First Minnesota at Gettysburg, with gallant Col. Colvil at the head of his regiment. The second will be a representation of the Second Minnesota, under Gen. Bishop, at Mission Ridge. The third will show the Fourth Minnesota entering Vicksburg after its capture by the federals, and the fourth panel will contain a painting representing the Fifth, Seventh, Ninth and Tenth Minnesota regiments at Nashville. The paintings will cost $4,000 each, and it is expected this compenation will enlist the services of artists of repute. Two other panels in the governor's ante-room may be painted later. One of these will depict the Third Minnesota at Fitzhugh's wood, where it was in command of Gen. Andrews, and the other will be a review of the Eighth Minnesota at Washington at the close of the war. The commission is expected to make appropriations for this work later.

Architect Gilbert reported to the commission that he had conferred with the justices of the supreme court, and with minor alterations and changes they had expressed their entire satisfaction with the supreme court chamber and the judges' rooms. It had been decided to divide the portraits of former judges, now hanging in the supreme court chamber in the old capitol, between the walls of the judges' retiring rooms and the walls of the state library. Excellent light effects are to be had in both rooms, and the incongruity of the portraits and La Farge's great mural paintings in the new court chamber will be avoided by the plan.

Portraits of former governors of the state will be hung in the governor's business office in the new capitol, instead of in the reception room, as had been understood. The change, the commissioners said yesterday, was entirely agreeable to Gov. Johnson. It had been made, they explained, for the same reasons that had impelled the placing of the portraits of the jurists in other rooms than the supreme court chamber.

PRISON REPORT OUT

Warden Wolfer Gives Detail for Year at Penitentiary

The report of Warden Wolfer for the year ending July 31, 1904, which is contained in the annual report of the state board of control, contains many interesting statistics. Believers in total abstinence will take great satisfaction in the fact that only 28 of the prisoners were total abstainers, while 234 drank intemperately and 319 liked a quiet glass but did not drink to excess.

According to the report it is only necessary to be a lawyer to stay out of prison, as not a single follower of this profession is enjoying the hospitliay of the Stilwater institution. Laborers seem to have the greatest fondness for Warden Wolfer, as he has 183 prisoners who formerly followed that occupation. Fifty-five farmers are incarcerated, and 20 bookkeepers, 5 actors and 2 journalists.

During the existence of the prison 180 prisoners have been committed to it for life, but of these 39 have been pardoned out, while 22 have died in prison and 7 have been committed to asylums. Visitors to the prison contributed $6,619 in fees, most of which was turned over to the amusement and entertainment fund.

CLUB COMMITTEE TO MEET WITH RETAILERS

Street Railway Controversy Will Be Discussed

The directors of the Commercial club yesterday received a communication and request from the Retailers' association asking that a committee be named to represent the board in the coming meeting of the association when the matter of the street railway controversy comes up.

President L. G. Hoffman named the committee, but instructed the members that the board would not necessarily be bound by any action they might take. The following were appointed: J. Harry Lewis, C. J. McConville, John Caulfield, Chester R. Smith and H. T. Black.

HUSBAND HALED TO COURT BY HIS WIFE

Woman Tells Tale of Laziness on Part of Spouse

Albert Kuback, living at 907 Jessamine street, who, according to his wife, has not worked for the last four months, pleaded not guilty to the charge of non-support before the police judge yesterday, and the case was continued for two weeks. Mrs. Kuback was extremely anxious to have her husband prosecuted and informed the judge that Kuback did not want to work and invariably became sick whenever there was a prospect of obtaining employment. The woman also said that she had taken care of the entire family, including her hsuband, until she was tired of it.

Maj. Wright Funeral Today

The funeral of Maj. B. F. Wright, who died suddenly at his home, 538 Dayton avenue, Sunday evening, will take place this afternoon at the Dayton Avenue Presbyterian church at 2:30. The pallbearers will be C. C. Andrews, Judge Collins, H. F. Ware, H. W. Cooley, William McKilligan.

Allen's Lung Balsam

Cures deep seated Coughs and Colds, Croup and all Bronchial Troubles. $1.00, 50c. and 25c. per bottle.

KRAHMER MUST RUN DOWN BLIND PIGGERS

County Board Passes the Task to the County Auditor

If County Auditor Krahmer carries out the orders of the county commissioners he will at once take the trail of the blind piggers, who, according to the members of the county board, are distributing the high ones and high balls without fear or favor on the outskirts of the city and within the limits of the county.

At the meeting of the board Monday the attention of the commissioners was called to the fact that a number of blind pig operators were doing a rushing business on the country roads. Some of them, it was said, made bold by the lack of life displayed by the board, even went so far as to hang out signs announcing the "first and last chance" and "the highest one in the county for 5 cents."

Signs Arouse Board

The signs were too much and the indignant board voted a recess and called upon the county attorney to discover whether or not the board had a right to employ detectives to go out and discover the drink signs. County Attorney Kane declared that the board could not ask the county to pay for the reading of the signs, and the board at its meeting yesterday morning decided to turn over the task of discovering the offenders to the county auditor.

A motion was introduced and carried instructing Mr. Krahmer to collect from all blind piggers doing business in the county. No list of offenders was furnished, the board only advising the county auditor that it was up to him to locate and assess the blind piggers.

The board also authorized Auditor Krahmer to advertise for bids upon an issue of $35,000 renewal bonds. The resolution empowering the bond issue was passed unanimously. The issue will be in four series, $7,000 being made payable in five years, $7,000 payable in six years, $14,000 payable in seven years and $7,000 payable in eight years. The renewal issue is to secure funds to pay off bonds to the amount of $80,500, which fall due during this year.

There is now available for the purpose of paying off the bonds, the sum of $21,500 and the first bonds to be liquidated will be $6,500 jail bonds due Feb. 20, which will be paid out of the funds on hand. Funding bonds to the amount of $50,000 fall due March 1, and the deficiency existing in the fund for paying these will be supplied by the sale of these bonds. The bonds which are to be taken up are 4½ per cent, while the new issue will be entirely of 4 per cent. Bids will be opened Feb. 20.

OBJECT TO SERVICE

Commercial Club's Members Protest Against Wire Delays

The directors of the Commercial club met yesterday and passed a set of resolutions urging that the state telegraph and telephone lines be placed under the jurisdiction of the railway and warehouse commission.

The resolutions set forth that the service, especially that of the long distance lines, is cumbersome and recommend that the Northwestern company connect up the several long distance offices so that connections could be made direct instead of by the roundabout plan now in use.

They point out that there is no night operator of the telegraph companies at Mankato and towns of similar size and that a message from St. Paul is frequently beaten by the sender in person who travels by rail. This is said to be the result of slow handling of the messages at stations where there is no night operator.

FARMER SAYS FATHER'S FRIEND PROVED FALSE

Chris Sutherland Held on Charge of Grand Larceny

Chris Sutherland made his appearance in police court yesterday to answer to the charge of grand larceny. He is accused of taking $80 belonging to Samuel Johnson, a farmer living near the city limits. Johnson says he met Sutherland in a hotel, and that the man called him by name and claimed to have known his father. The farmer was delighted to meet an old friend of the family and invited the man to have a drink. One drink followed another and after a short time the pair were on exceedingly friendly terms. It was then Johnson says that the stranger asked for the loan of $80, as he wanted to pay a freight bill. Unwilling to disappoint an old acquaintance, Johnson lent the man the money, and had not seen him since until yesterday. Sutherland entered a plea of not guilty and the case was continued.

Headaches and Neuralgia From Colds

Laxative Bromo Quinine, the world wide Cold and Grip remedy, removes the cause. Call for the full name and look for signature of E. W. Grove. 25c.

FALLS DEAD WHILE TALKING TO WIFE

Laborer Drops to Floor in Middle of Conversation

Two sudden deaths came to the notice of the coroner yesterday; one resulting from heart disease and the other from lung trouble.

While talking to his wife yesterday morning Mathias Sivenski, sixty-one years old, a laborer living at 21 Phalen Creek, fell to the floor unconscious and was dead before aid could be summoned. Death resulted from heart disease. Sivenski leaves a wife and a grown son.

Thomas Downey, colored, aged forty-one, died suddenly, yesterday morning while in his room at 165 East Seventh street. He was seated on a chair when taken with a fainting spell and died within a few minutes. Death was due to pneumonia. Nothing is known of the dead man's relatives.

Lecture on Yellowstone Park by Rev. C. A. Payne

Rev. Charles A. Payne, of Milwaukee, Wis., will lecture on Yellowstone National Park at Central Presbyterian church Friday, Feb. 10.

Mr. Payne has been speaking on this and other topics for a number of years and comes highly recommended by those who know of his work. He has an excellent stereopticon and a set of lantern slides which cannot be surpassed for definiteness and richness of coloring. The cost of admission is 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children.

In connection with this lecture it is well to bear in mind that the Northern Pacific railway is the direct route to the park.

ROUGH RIDING FOR ROOSEVELT CLUB

Citizens Must Help or Trip to Washington Will Be Abandoned

The St. Paul Roosevelt club is flying a signal of distress.

At its meeting in the parlors of the Windsor hotel last evening President H. T. Halbert announced that the trip to Washington for the inauguration of President Roosevelt would have to be abandoned unless the members of the club could raise between $500 and $600 among the business men of the city.

Starting out the year with practically nothing in the treasury, the officers of the club endeavored to make $1,500 before March 1 by giving the Roosevelt ball and the play under the auspices of the St. Paul organization, but the play only netted $250 and the ball scarcely $700.

Before consulting the railroad men the officers of the club announced that they would be able to take fifty or more members of the club to Washington and return, with all expenses while on the road and in Washington paid, for $15 a man, but the two enterprises by which the club hoped to raise its money failed to do as well as they were expected, and then the railroad men declined to make rates which the officers considered reasonable.

Rush New Members

An effort is being made by the members of the club to induce new members to join at $25 apiece, and fifteen have been secured since the last meeting, but there are no more in prospect, and the prospects of any material financial aid from this source its very remote.

The club went right ahead with its arrangements for the trip, however, trusting to luck and the business men of the city to get them out of their financial difficulties. The president reported that if all went well a train consisting of three sleepers, one observation car, a diner and a baggage car would leave St. Paul March 1, reaching Washington March 3. The return trip would be started on March 8, the train reaching St. Paul March 10.

E. S. Chittenden suggested that if possible the members of the club attend the launching of the battleship Minnesota at Newport News, which is to occur some time within the next two months, but a telegram to the navy department brought the reply that the company which is building the ship had not announced the date that it would be able to turn the ship over to the government. The matter was left with the officers of the club.

Capt. Shepard announced that the first drill of the company would be held next Friday evening at 7 o'clock in the armory, when all men expecting to go on the trip are expected to report in uniform.

ART FUND WANTED

Capitol Commission Would Provide for Justices' Portraits

The capitol commission will ask the Minnesota legislature to create a permanent revolving fund from which the expense of painting portraits of retiring governors and judges of the supreme court shall be paid. The commission yesterday discussed the plan at its monthly meeting and authorized the secretary to communicate its recommendation to the legislature.

Reason for the action at this time is found in the embarrassment in which the capitol commission found itself when confronted with the task of placing portraits of former chief executives and jurists in the handsome interior of the new capitol. The custom since the existence of Minnesota as a state has been for a retiring governor or supreme court judge to cause to be painted a portrait of himself and to present the portrait to the state. Many of the men who have held high office in Minnesota have been comparatively poor men and were not financially able to pay the price necessary to secure a meritorious painting. The result has been that some of the portraits are far from being works of art, and to place them on the walls of the new building, surrounded by mural decorations of America's most celebrated painters, would prove somewhat inconsistent. It is to obviate this contrast in art that the commission will recommend a permanent fund for the painting of portraits of retiring governors and justices of the supreme court.

TRAVELERS PLAN TO BUILD LODGE BLOCK

Saintly City Council Has Several Locations Under Consideration

The finest lodge building in the city will soon be erected if the present plans of the Saintly City council No. 50, United Commercial Travelers, are carried through.

For some time past the council has been vigorously discussing the removal from the old quarters, 150 Exchange street, to some better location with better facilities. The outcome of investigations has been the drawing of plans and specifications for a three-story building, the first floor to be used for store purposes.

The second floor will be used for the lodge hall, paraphernalia room, kitchen, dining hall, butler's pantry, office and check rooms. The third floor may also be used by the lodge, the unused portions to be rented as offices.

Several locations are now under consideration by the building committee, among which is the corner at Seventh and Franklin streets, Fifth and Cedar street, and one on Minnesota, between Fourth and Fifth streets.

TRAVELERS OF STATE TO MEET GOVERNOR

Committee of the U. C. T. Arrange for Reception March 18

A committee from Saintly City Council No. 50, United Commercial Travelers, was presented to Gov. Johnson yesterday afternoon by J. A. McDermott, state oil inspector, who is a member of the order. The committee said that the local lodge wished to tender a reception to the governor at some time in the near future and asked him to name the date. Gov. Johnson selected March 18. While the reception will be given to the governor and Mrs. Johnson by the members of the United Commercial Travelers, all traveling men are invited to attend.

Residence Damaged by Fire

Fire from a defective range damaged the residence of Andrew Seeger, 521 Broadway, to the extent of $300 yesterday afternoon. The blaze started in the kitchen and had reached the upper part of the house before it was noticed.

WANTS GOVERNOR TO NAME ASSESSORS

Coller's Bill Stirs Some Opposition in the Upper Branch

"I'm a believer in home rule to the extent that I want to have voice in the selection of my preacher and my assessor."

This observation was made by Senator Dan Shell at the meeting of the senate committee on taxes and tax laws and by way of comment on a bill by Senator Coller authorizing the governor, state auditor and attorney general to appoint one assessor in each county of the state.

Another bill by Senator Schain was also under consideration, but with Senator Coller's measure was laid over. Senator Schain's bill authorizes county boards throughout the state to elect and assessor in every county.

In behalf of his bill empowering the governor, state auditor and attorney general to appoint county assessors, Senator Coller said:

"I need hardly say I did not offer this bill because we happen to have a Democratic governor. My belief is that the only way to get an assessor who kill find property that can be assessed is to have him appointed by some power outside the community where he exercises his official duties. Experience shows in the country districts that assessors elected by the people of their district fail to find much personal property. The personal assessments are ridiculously low in the country districts. I am willing to except from the bill the counties containing the large cities, but otherwise I think the bill is a needed measure."

Senator Schain spoke in favor of his measure empowering county commissioners to elect assessors, but it did not meet with approval, and both bills were laid over for further consideration.

Senator Thorpe's bill providing for the wide open amendment to the constitution, after the manner of the Washburn bill in the house, was likewise laid over.

"I have a virtuous measure I would like to have the committee pass upon," remarked Chairman E. E. Smith, of the committee. This was the bill permitting an individual to pay his taxes under protest, and to begin suit against the county within thirty days if he deemed the tax unjust. The thirty-day provision caused some criticism, but the committee recommended the bill to pass.

SMITH BILL ESCAPES

Measure to Boost Members Pay Is Almost Killed

The Sherman S. Smith bill, providing $1,000 compensation for members of the legislature, payable in four installments of $250, had a narrow escape from indefinite postponement by the house committee on general legislation yesterday.

Mr. Smith explained his measure and said he had received scores of letters commending its substance. He declared that the best sentiment of the state is for a liberal compensation of the legislators, in view of the expense of the two campaigns preliminary to success in a close political district. His motion that the bill be recommended to pass was seconded by S. D. Peterson, of Brown.

The usual Hennepin harmony was apparent when J. G. Lund vigorously combatted the purposes of the bill. He insisted that the pay of the legislator is ample and said many good men were anxious to serve. John L. Oleson, of Chisago, took up the cudgel for the bill and said that he would never come to the legislature again, because he could not afford to neglect his business by his absence without a corresponding remuneration. W. D. Washburn Jr., of Hennepin, favored the bill because, he said, he believed it would bring men of a higher order of ability to the legislature. Elmer E. Adams, of Otter Tail, was opposed to other increases, and in consistency he could not vote to increase the compensation of members while arrayed against other proposed advances. Dr. J. H. Dorsey, of McLeod, expressed the fear that the bill, if passed, would result in thirty-day sessions and hasty action by the legislature.

After an extended debate, W. A. Nolan's motion that the bill be reported without recommendation from the committee was adopted by a close vote. The promise for its passage by the senate is said to be brighter than in the house.

The municipal legislation committee yesterday recommended for passage the Ofsthun bill permitting school districts to borrow with 15 per cent of their taxable valuation from the state school fund. The Hugo bill giving Bethel societies the right of adoption of abandoned children was laid on the table. The fear that the provisions of the bill would be extended to orphanages was the cause assigned for the action taken on the Hugo bill.

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CRIME COMMITTEE FAVORS ALL BILLS

Measures Before Body Are Recommended for Passage

A number of bills were agreed to by the house committee on crimes and punishments yesterday afternoon. A. J. Wood's bill relating to bounties for horse thieves, W. C. Fraser's bill, prohibiting the giving of sample packages of medicine to any but adults, and John Zeich's bill, prohibiting the sale of liquors to paroled inmates of the state prison and reformatory, were all recommended for passage. Gen. M. D. Flower's two bills relating to the giving and receiving of bribes by members-elect of the legislature, were treated together, and both bills were recommended for passage.

New Members for Club

The board of directors of the Commercial club acted favorably on the following applications for membership in the club: F. M. Parker, B. B. Czapski, M. J. McCann, John A. Cameron, T. J. Hickey, H. R. Hardick, R. M. Neely, F. A. Cole, O. E. Holman, J. C. Hardy, L. T. Dow, F. J. Plondke, John Rogers Jr., W. A. Curtis, F. A. Norway, Joseph Levy.

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