

State News.

William Henry Eustis of Minneapolis has been appointed treasurer for the national republican committee in Minnesota.

While the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reil of the Waconia Patriot was playing with a turnip lantern her dress caught fire and she was so badly burned that she died.

Northwestern German-Americans gathered in the St. Paul Auditorium 8,000 strong on Sunday to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the first settlement of Germans on American soil.

The 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gottlieb Oberland of Akeley was poisoned by eating berries and died in three hours. This is the second death recently from eating berries growing in the woods in that vicinity.

After having wound up the business of the most successful convention ever held in the history of the order, the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, who had been holding their convention in Duluth, left for their homes on Friday.

Wolves are said to be more numerous than ever in the northern part of the state. The young daughter of Peter Kobe, homesteader in the Little Fork country, was devoured by wolves while going from her home to a neighbor's. Her younger brother escaped.

Patrick Tierney, a Duluth teamster, while unloading paper into the city incinerator, fell into the fiery furnace and was burned to death in a few minutes. The accident was caused by the breaking of a hook with which Tierney was pulling the bundles of old paper from the wagon into the fire.

The new barn just completed this fall on the J. P. Erickson farm, near Mora, was struck by lightning on Thursday night and burned to the ground. Sixty tons of hay and all the farm machinery was also destroyed. There was no insurance, and the loss is placed at from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

The convention of the affiliated societies of the German Catholic church of the state, the Staats Verband and the Catholic Aid societies, met in annual convention at St. Cloud Monday, following masses, which were said in all churches in the city. Nearly every part of the state is represented. Sunday was marked by a monster parade, over 3,000 men being in line.

President George H. Bridgeman of Hamline university, informed the members of the Swedish Methodist conference at their session last Friday that the university will open a department of Swedish language and literature, the principal object of which will be to give instruction to Swedish students who expect to prepare themselves as clergymen among the Swedish Methodists.

Mary Pittman's fight for release from the state training school at Red Wing will result in the liberation of 103 girls who are at present inmates of the Red Wing school. George W. Peterson, assistant attorney general, has notified the state board of control that Mary Pittman could not legally be detained longer at Red Wing, and a general order for the release of all girls who have reached the age of 18 will probably result.

Daniel Moriarty, who died in Minneapolis last week, was known to be more than 103 years old, and some of his relatives place his age at 107. He was not only the oldest person in Minneapolis, but was more active and more youthful in appearance than many men of half his age, and remarkable in many other ways. For many years, and until within six months of the time of his death, it was his custom to walk ten miles or more every day. He was an incessant smoker and the tobacco which he used in his pipe was stronger than most men could smoke without inconvenience. He never was sick a day in his life, and even his death was not attended by any symptoms of disease.

To better market their product and to work for their mutual advantage, six creameries have organized the Minnesota Co-operative Dairies association, under the law passed by the last legislature allowing creameries to amalgamate, this being the first organization of the kind in the state. The companies and individuals forming the association are: Plainview Co-operative Creamery association, Sauk Center Co-operative association, Zumbro Creamery company of Rock Dell, Independence Co-operative Dairy association of Minneapolis, Farmers' Creamery association of Owatonna, John R. Morley of Owatonna, John F. Lamp of Stewartville, J. W. Stark of Gibbon, Charles A. Morse of Sauk Center and Andrew French of Plainview.

Fred Green of Columbus, Anoka county, while in Minneapolis last week, attempted to prove to bystanders that he could reach an electric wire suspended several feet above his head. He reached it all right, but the 2,300 volts of electricity which were coursing over the wire at the time tied Fred up in a knot and whirled him

through space for a distance of about thirty feet. The bystanders, thinking the man dead, sent for the patrol wagon and the coroner, but when they arrived Fred had come to and was sitting on the curbstone explaining how he did it. He was taken to the home of a sister and there examined by a physician, who said that the man had sustained no injury, although 2,000 volts was more than sufficient to cause death.

Persuaded by the cold weather, 500 men applied on Monday to the Minneapolis free employment bureau for work, but only thirty-three would take what was offered. Louis Levy, head of the local bureau, said he had looked for a rush, both from the unemployed and from such industries as the coal yards, which were expected to call for additional help. "But there has not been a single coal yard call," he said, "and as for the men wanting work, all that crowd there wants work, but they don't want what we've got to offer. There's one job at Midway begging for a hundred laborers at \$1.75 a day, but these chaps won't take it. No; there's no desperation. As a matter of fact, there need never be all winter. There's plenty of work for the man who wants it."

Normal Business Conditions.

When people have grown accustomed to extreme activity in business and extraordinary prosperity, a return to the normal is made with reluctance, and the immediate effect is a sense of stagnation; and yet the volume of business transacted may be far in excess of what at an earlier period was looked upon with wonder.

An illustration in point is presented by the statistics on imports. During the first seven months of the calendar year the reduction in imports was \$267,000,000, and the excess of exports over imports was \$179,000,000, greater than for the corresponding period of 1907. From this one might draw the conclusion that our import trade had gone to pieces and that but little remained.

As a matter of fact, imports during the first seven months of this year were larger than during a corresponding period in any year prior to 1905.

It was the enormous development of trade beginning in 1905 which accustomed the public to a plane of activity so far above that upon which the country formerly stood that the return to the older levels looks like a collapse; and yet we are really above normal at the present time, if one may judge by the statistics of imports.

Supreme confidence caused men to venture in hundreds of ways and thus brought about the activity in commerce and industry which bore fruit in an enormous volume of trade. Restoration of confidence would revive trade and again lift it to the level of a year ago. The tendency now is distinctly upward. Everything has climbed far above where it stood six months ago, and there is good reason to believe that in the event of Judge Taft's election the extreme reached in the early part of 1907 will be regained and surpassed.—Duluth News-Tribune.

Mankato's Good Road.

Mankato has solved the problem of finding a durable pavement at small expense and one that can be used on steep grades as readily as on a level surface.

First the driveway was narrowed to thirty feet, curbed, guttered and boulevarded. Then it was excavated to the depth of six inches and surfaced. Five inches of dry crushed limestone one and a half to two inches in diameter was put on and rolled down with a ten-ton roller.

Boiling tar from the local gas works was applied until the entire surface was covered. Then, says the Cement Age, a layer of broken stone an inch to an inch and a quarter in diameter, mixed with coarse gravel, was applied on the surface in the proportion of three parts of stone to one of gravel. This was first mixed dry on a platform and then thoroughly mixed with hot tar and applied on the surface two inches thick, then tamped into place to conform with the surface of the street.

Dry domestic cement was then applied to the surface and the street was again rolled. Then a coating of sand was applied and the roller again used. The pavement was allowed to stand for two weeks before the street was thrown open to travel.

The cost was 80 cents a lineal foot to the property owners on each side of the street, or rather would have been had the entire cost been assessed against them. The street has a practically waterproof pavement six inches thick and it is impossible for the elements to attack the surface. The pavement has now stood two winters and shows not the slightest wear. It gives off no dust in summer, although it is not sprinkled.

A Healthy Family.

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OF POST-MORTEM PRAISES.

I've noticed when a fellow dies, no matter what he's been. A saintly character or one whose life was dully steeped in sin. His friends forget the bitter words they spoke but yesterday. And now they find a multitude of pretty things to say.

I fancy when I go to rest some one will bring to light Some kindly word or goodly act long buried out of sight: But, if it's all the same to you, just give me instead The bouquets while I'm living and the knocking when I'm dead.

Don't save your kisses to imprint upon my marble brow, While countless maledictions are hurled upon me now: Say just one kindly word to me while I mourn here alone, And don't save all your eulogy to carve upon a stone.

What do I care if when I'm dead the Bloomingdale Gazette Gives me a write-up with a cut in mourning boarders set: It will not flatter me a bit, no matter what is said: So kindly throw your bouquets now and knock me when I'm dead.

It may be fine, when one is dead, to have the folks talk so, To have the flowers come in loads from relatives, you know: It may be nice to have these things for those you leave behind, But just as far as I'm concerned, I really do not mind.

I'm quite alive and well today, and while I linger here, Lend me a helping hand at times—give me a word of cheer: Just change the game a little bit; just kindly swap the decks, For I will be no judge of flowers when I've cashed in my checks.

—New York Sun.

Meanest Man in Ireland.

The champion mean man has been discovered in Belfast. He is Thomas Spence, a foreman in a shipyard, earning a comfortable income, and a few days ago he was summoned by his wife for assaulting her, says a press dispatch from Dublin. His wife stated that he had never allowed her more than 25 cents a week for her food. He bought his own food and cooked it himself. He kept his sugar in a covered bowl and every day he placed a live fly under the cover in order that he might know by the fly's escape if his wife lifted the cover during his absence and helped herself to his sugar. He also measured his loaf with a rule before leaving home and on his return every day, to see if his wife had taken a slice. The assault which she complained of was because he found his loaf an eighth of an inch short, on his return from work. The magistrate ordered Spence to provide proper food for his wife and made him give sureties to carry out his order.

Where Bullets Flew.

David Parker of Fayette, N. Y., a veteran of the civil war, who lost a foot at Gettysburg, says: "The good Electric Bitters have done its worth more than five hundred dollars to me. I spent much money doctoring for a bad case of stomach trouble, to little purpose. I then tried Electric Bitters, and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic, and they keep me strong and well." 50c. at C. A. Jack's drug store.

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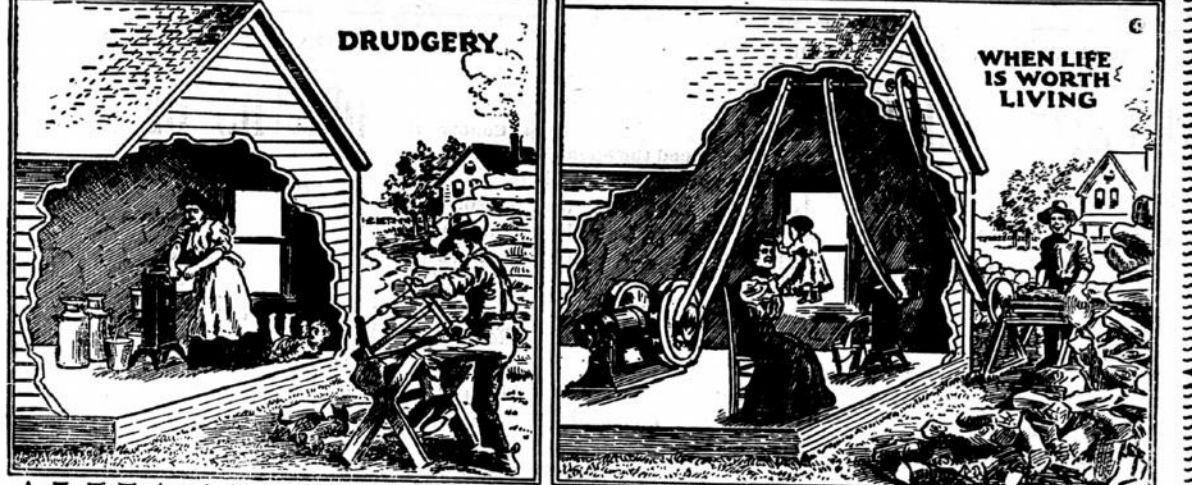
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Order for Hearing on Petition for Determination of Descent of Land.

State of Minnesota, County of Mille Lacs—ss. In Probate Court. In the matter of the estate of Mary Gage West, decedent. The petition of George H. Deans having been filed in this court, representing, among other things, that the above named decedent died more than five years prior to the filing of said petition, and that no will of decedent has been proved nor administration granted on real estate in this state, that said petitioner has, and claims to have, an interest in certain real estate of decedent lying and being in the county of Mille Lacs, state of Minnesota, described in said petition, and praying that the descent of said real estate be determined by this court, and the same assigned to the persons thereunto entitled.

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