LOCAL NOTES.

William Hoss, Jr., of this city was a recent visitor at Arlington.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Esser were Mankato visitors last Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Lawrence of St. James is spending a few days here with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flatau are rejoicing over the arrival of a son born June 20

Attorney Arthur Loomis of Springfield and his sister, Miss Lulu Loomis of Minneapolis are spending the Fourth at the home of F. H. Behnke.

Miss Therese Heffer and her niece, Miss Mary Howard of Minneapolis are visiting at the John Korbel home for a couple of weeks.

Miss Ida Ochs left for Rochester yesterday morning to join her brother's family and all will go to the Dalles, Wisconsin to spend a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Somsen and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. C. Veeck motored to Lake Jefferson Saturday on a fishing and camping trip.

A. A. Schlumpberger went to Pierz, Morrison county, the latter part of the week, on business pertaining to a farm which he owns near that place.

William Rendel and family were here from Arlington Tuesday. They were accompanied on the trip by Mrs. J. Estel.

Frank Fuerstnow of Arlington brought his little daughter here Tuesday, where the child underwent an operation at one of the hospitals.

Miss Lucy C. Pfefferle left for St. Paul Friday where she will join a number of her St Paul friends and go to Lake Johannes for a two weeks outing.

Mrs. Ben Tesmer accompanied by her daughter Mrs. W. Glander and Mrs. A. Herbeck and son Jerome of St. Paul are the guests of relatives and friends in New Ulm and vicinity.

A. C. Ochs, William G. Frank and George Wurmeister of Springfield stopped here for a short visit with friends, Saturday, while on their way home from St. Peter, where they had been on business.

William Wicherski, who was in charge of the manual training department of the public schools at Kent, Ohio, during the past year, has arrived home, to spend the summer vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Wicherski.

The Franklin baseball team, an amateur organization made up of 18 year old players of this city, will help Cambria celebrate by meeting the Cambria nine this afternoon. Last Sunday the Franklin's played the Hanska nine and lost out by a score of 10-8.

Next Sunday the New Ulm baseball team will go to Sleepy Eye and stage their third battle with the Indians. The game with Springfield last Sunday was called off for some unexplainable reason but the two teams will meet here in a few weeks.

The Misses Jennie and Carrie Roth of Gaylord, and Miss Hughes of Mankato have arrived to spend the Fourth at the home of Mrs. F. Baasen. Mrs. F. O. Gronvold of Fargo, N. D., is also the guest of her mother, Mrs. Baasen for several days.

Ewald Kuester, who has been teaching school at Helenville, Wis., for the past year arrived here Tuesday to spend his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Kuester. Ewald is still interested in baseball and recently pitched a 14 inning 6-6 tie against a Wisconsin team.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hicks and their daughter, Miss Margarette, will leave tomorrow by auto for Clearwater lake, near Annandale, where they will visit Mrs. Hicks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ball. They will be accompanied by F. H. Behnke.

A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Manderfeld, Nicholas Manderfeld, Sr., N. Manderfeld, Jr., and Charles Manderfeld, left last week by automobile for Bartlett, N. D., where they will visit and look after real estate interests in that part of the Flickertail state.

Miss Amy Strand, of the New Ulm Grocery company's office force, met with a painful accident Saturday evening. While auto riding she attempted to raise the wind-shield when the glass broke, cutting her wrist severely, an artery being severed. The wound was promptly dressed and she is getting along nicely.

Lena and Susie Fredericks were each arraigned in Justice N. Henningsen's court last week, charged with using abusive and obscene language. They were each fined $5 and costs. The trouble grew out of a neighborhood quarrel. This is the second time in recent months that the Fredericks women have been in court on a similar charge.

Herman Kaiser of Truman, Minn., arrived Friday for a short visit at the home of his brother, Charles F. Kaiser. Miss Elsie Kaiser, who had been visiting with the family of her uncle at Truman for two weeks, arrived home with the latter Friday. K. W. Walsh of St. Paul was also an over-Sunday visitor at the Kaiser home.

OBITUARY

MISS ELLA OLSON

Miss Ella Olson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Olson, of Lafayette died at the family home in that village early Thursday morning, of tuberculosis, from which she had suffered for several years. For the past few months her condition had been critical, and her death was not unexpected.

Miss Olson was born November 21, 1894, in Lafayette, and that had been her home all of her life. Besides her parents she leaves seven sisters and six brothers, two of whom reside in this city, Mrs. Peter J. Arbes and Emil Olson.

The funeral was held from theLutheran church at Lafayette, last Sunday afternoon.

JOSEPH TRAUTMANN

Joseph Trautmann, a pioneer business man of this city, but who left here many years ago, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Schultz at Springfield, last Saturday, June 30. The cause of his death was old age, altho no details have yet been received here as to his illness and death. He had many acquaintances in this city, but few if any, knew of his early life.

Mr. Trautmann was born in Germany about eighty-one years ago and came to America, settling in New Ulm when a young man, and was here at the time of the Indian outbreak. He was married to Mrs. Carroll, widow of William Carroll, who was killed during the Indian battle, and whose name appears on the Indian monument. His wife died several years ago, while the family was living on a farm near Sleepy Eye. In the sixties Mr. Trautmann was engaged in business in this city with M. Epply, under the firm name of Trautmann & Epply, when they conducted a meat market. Some forty years ago Mr. Trautmann located on a homestead near Sleepy Eye, where the family resided for many years. Following the death of his wife he retired from farming and lived at Springfield for a time, after which he went to Osakis, where he lived for some eight or ten years. From there he returned to Springfield, where he resided with his daughter.

Mr. Trautmann was fond of telling of a Buffalo hunt on which he went during the sixties, with a party of New Ulm men to the vicinity of the present site of the city of Tracy. He accompanied the party as the butcher, to take care of and cure the buffalo meat. The animals were quite plentiful in that vicinity in those days. Altho that was but seventy-five miles from this city, they were seldom seen in these immediate parts.

He is survived by the following children: Mrs. Ella Hutchinson, Sleepy Eye; Mrs. John Schultz, Springfield; Harry Trautmann, who resides on a farm near Comfrey; Joseph Trautmann, of near Springfield; Roy Trautmann, Minneapolis; Ora Trautmann, Springfield.

The funeral was held at Springfield on Sunday.

FOREST FIRES ARE BADLY OVER-DRAWN

SPACE WRITERS ACCUSED OF GIVING CITY PAPERS THE WRONG DOPE.

STATE EMPLOYE SPOILS RICH "GERMAN PLOT" STORY IN NORTH.

From out of the state fire marshal's office comes the information that the stories of disastrous fires in the Northern Minnesota forests, printed day after day in the Twin City newspapers, is largely the work of the space writers' brains, and is largely imaginary. First it was intimated that certain lumber companies, anxious to force the sale of state timber. Later the I. W. W. was dragged in and accused of setting the fires. According to the newspapers State Forester Cox was about to begin a series of wholesale arrests.

Work of Settlers.

An employe of one of the state departments recently told a correspondent of the Review that the forest fires raging in Beltrami, Koochiching and St. Louis counties was mostly the work of settlers and was the result of land clearing in those counties.

"While up in the forest country," said the state employe, "I heard of a German settler who had set a back-fire and it got away from him. It was purely accidental, and just what had happened to other settlers in that part of the state, in this and other years. I refused to cause his arrest and thus spoiled a good sensational 'German plot' story for the newspapers. But what was the use? He couldn't have been convicted anyway, and if he had it would have been an ourtage.

Safe for Space Wtriers.

"Miles away from the populous sections the forest country is always a safe bet for the space writers," says the correspondent, "and much misinformation is sent broadcast as a result." If it is not forest fires, always, of course, set by designing persons, it is theft of state timber. True some timber is stolen, but the amount taken is insignificant. Settlers are crowding into the cut over sections and while they may take an occasional stick few steals involving any large amount of timber are pulled off. The chances of getting away with such steals are not of the best. Detection invariably follows. Returning travelers from the country recently visited by the fires say much cut over land has been cleaned up by the flames and is now ready for cultivation. Some valuable timber was burned, but the settlers figure that they were more than benefited by the thoro cleaning given the scorched sections.

Speculate on Thornton's Successor.

Eric L. Thornton, chairman of the Republican state central committee, and private secretary to the governor will shortly retire from the latter position to enter the banking business and the gossips are busy trying to figure out his successor. From the inside, however, comes the story that a successor will not be named but that John B. Sanborn, state insurance commissioner and a close friend of the executive will divide his time between the two jobs. In order to give him more time for the position of executive adviser it is said that a new position will be created in the insurance department which will be filled by a St. Paul attorney. The favored man is reported to be C. C. Wright, a former St. Paul letter carrier. Since breaking with his former political advisors the governor has almost wholly confined his political confidence to Mr. Sanborn.

Sullivan Forced Measure Thru.

The State Safety commission with its $1,000,000 appropriations was the creation of Senator G. H. Sullivan of Stillwater and he forced the measure thru in the face of opposition in a way that still compels admiration. It was said then that the object of the bill was not entirely a war measure, but that it had to do with certain things peculiar to Minneapolis and in which certain interests operating in that city are interested. Be that as it may, the original object or that part of it which the public was not let into has not been running smoothly and this fact it is said is responsible for some of the reported inside friction. Quoting a close in official the saloon closing order as issued by the commission was largely for the benefit of Minneapolis and was for the purpose of minimizing criminal conditions there which it is claimed jeopardized the selection of Fort Snelling as a great assembling point for the militia of the country. Instead of protesting however, Minneapolis saloons and cafes affected, together with Mayor Van Lear, the socialist executive of the Mill City, have arranged to obey the order to the letter. It was expected by some that Mayor Van Lear would protest. He is still on the job, however, and besides is keeping a closed mouth.

Coal Situation is Serious.

The securing of a sufficient supply of coal for the coming year for the sixteen or more state institutions which are the care of the state board of control is causing the board some sleeplessness nights. In fact the situtation is rapidly approaching the serious. Coal bids opened some days ago by the board showed an advance of better than $250,000 over a year ago, with transportation conditions attached that practically placed the coal situation at the mercy of the coal operators and the railroads. In brief the best the coal companies would do even at the advanced figure was to offer a day to day delivery. No garuntee of any kind was given. A federal coal commission now working in the interest of the government has fixed on a coal rate of $2.50 at the mouth of the mine and the board in now trying to have the commissions' findings extended so as to include state institutions. The best rate the board obtained in its recent call for bids was $5.00 a ton. Even at that figure the companies would not guarantee delivery. They claimed they were at the mercy of the railroads.

Prison Prices Advance.

Continuing on the subject of price advance and how such effects everything the state uses one of the best illustrations is furnished by the state prison at Stillwater which manufactures most of the binding twine and much of the farm machinery used in the state. A year ago the pig iron bought by those in charge cost the state $19.75 a ton. Today $41.75 is being paid. Other things entering into the manufacture of farm machinery at the prison have advanced as follows; steel bars from $3.00 per cwt to $3.75; cast scrap from $12.75 per ton to $21.50; black sheets from $2.86 to $6.25 per cwt and wire nails from $2.40 to $3.50 per cwt. In the case of binding twine practically every item of raw material entering into its manufacture has doubled.

Miss Henrietta Kogge is visiting with relatives and friends in Mankato this week.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Henningsen and Mrs. Eleanor Mullen visited at the J. H. Doty home in St. Peter last Thursday

Adolph Schell arrived Friday evening from his home in Berkley, Cal., and will visit relatives and old-time friends for several weeks. Mr. Schell made the entire trip from the coast in a Ford car.

Flag Raising on The Fourth of July

ONE of the most interesting of Independence day celebrations in our big American cities is the one that takes place annually at sunrise in the old blockhouse in Central park, New York. This ancient structure is a relic of the war of 1812 with Great Britain and is noted historically, although no foe ever fired a shot against its walls. It was built as one

IN THE OLD BLOCKHOUSE.

of a chain to protect the city against an expected attack from the north The attack never came, but part of the old fort remains to remind the citizens of the days when their city might have been endangered by invasion.

The celebration in the old blockhouse is an annual affair and has been observed seventeen times. Before the sun is awake members of patriotic societies assemble at the old fort and prepare to raise the flag and salute it as soon as the dawn flushes the eastern sky. The flag is hoisted in silence, and then a bugler sounds a salute. Last year and in other years a picturesque touch was added to the ceremony by the gathering of the Washington Continental guard, dressed in uniforms worn by men of Washington's army.

The flag is raised by a woman, Mrs. C. L. Morehouse, who has performed the same function for many years. Last year she unfolded the flag which she had brought for the occasion, read the Declaration of Independence and then hoisted the Stars and Stripes at about the same time that thousands of flags were flung to the breeze in other parts of the city.

Among other interesting celebrations of the Fourth in New York city is the one that takes place at the Jumel mansion, which, as the Roger Morris house, was the headquarters of Washington when he commanded the Continental army in New York.

World's Biggest Bird, And July 4 Is His Day

THE biggest bird in all the world is the great American eagle, with one claw resting on the highest peak of the Alleghenies and the other on the Rocky mountains, with one wing touching Porto Rico, the other fanning the distant Philippines.

His beak reaches the Canadian border, and his tail dips into the gulf of Mexico. And his voice, the thunder tones of this mighty bird, echoes from South America to Canada—aye, and far beyond, over unto the uttermost corners of the earth, is the scream of the American eagle heard and heeded.

Thus at all times. But there is one day in every year when its triumphant tones sound the loudest, the most joyous, the world over.

That is on the glorious Fourth of July, the nation's proud birthday. It is then that the small boy and the big boy burn powder as incense to the memory of our gallant forefathers who drove the British from our shores and with their heart's blood upheld their noble Declaration of Independence for all time to come.—Helen Harcourt in Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Past of a Nation.

A people that studies its own past and rejoices in the nation's proud memories is likely to be a patriotic people, the bulwark of law and the courageous champion of right in the hour of need. —Joseph Anderson.

Old Clothes.

The remaking of old clothes is one of the most prosperous industries in this country. Old suits are torn to pieces, the wool and the cotton being chemically separated. The wool is then washed, dried and respun and made into a spick and span tailor made suit.

Sure Evidence.

"Alice thinks she's prettier than Betty."

"How do you know?"

"She's asked Betty to be bridesmaid." —Boston Transcript.

The Misses Esther and Linda Nasman, Victor Nasman, Aloys Kunz and John Cash made a party of Madelia folks to visit New Ulm recently.

Mrs. Dan Enkbrand of Hibbing is a guest at the home of Rev. C. J. Albrecht. Rev. Gustav Albracht and family of St. Peter, Rev. Im. Albrecht and family of Fairfax and Rev. Ave Llallent and family of Winona, who have been visiting the Albrecht family have returned home.

The Kretsch Auto Co. received a carload of Fords yesterday and immediately set to work on putting them together. They report that they still lack over 30 cars to fill the orders now in their hands. According to current reports the price on Fords will receive a gentle boost in the immediate future.

Prof. A. Ackermann of the Dr. Martin Luther college left Friday for Wood Lake, Minn., where he delivered the principal address before a large gathering of the congregation of the Lutheran church, held in that village Sunday. Addresses were given in both German and English. He returned Tuesday.

Miss Therese Schwengle of Lamberton spent the fore part of the week with relatives in New Ulm.