

# COUNCIL'S VOTE UNCHANGED

VIRGINIA ALDERMEN TURN DOWN  
R. B. FREEDY'S TELEPHONE  
FRANCHISE PROPOSITION.

## PROMOTERS WILL PERSEVERE

SAY THEY WILL GO AHEAD WITH  
PREPARATIONS.

M. W. A. Band Loses Its Leader, L.  
W. Everson, Who Leaves the  
State—Range City News.

News Tribune Correspondence:

VIRGINIA, Minn., Dec. 12.—Mayor Thompson called a special meeting of the council for Tuesday to have the members again consider the proposition of granting a privilege to R. B. Freedy and others to construct and maintain a telephone system in this city for a period of twenty years. The former meeting of the council, a week previous, resulted in a vote of six against and two for the proposition, and this same performance was repeated. The wording of the resolution was changed somewhat. Instead of asking for a twenty-five-year privilege, a twenty-year one was requested, and a clause was inserted whereby the company agreed, if given the word to go ahead, to turn into the city treasury one per cent of all rental money. A petition, signed by would-be subscribers, also accompanied this last application. The promoters state that they are not yet done with the telephone system, and that they will surely go ahead.

The M. W. A. band dance in the Finnish temperance hall Saturday evening was well attended, and the boys realized quite a sum from the affair. The orchestra in connection with the band gave a party Friday evening.

Louis W. Everson, who has been the leader of the M. W. A. band since May, has decided to leave Virginia, his intention being to go to Wisconsin to take charge of a valuable piece of land which has been given him. He has been employed as foreman on the Virginian, and will, for the winter months, take up his printing occupation at Tomahawk, Wis. Another leader will be secured for the band at once.

E. J. O'Rourke, of the Virginia Cash Grocery company, has returned from a business trip to the "Soo."

The following are the officers elected by the local Maccabees at their regular meeting Monday night, to serve for the ensuing term: E. J. Einum, commander; H. S. Wilson, lieutenant commander; H. Burchell, record keeper; Sam Milavetz, chaplain; Jens Rasmussen, sergeant; Edward Johnson, keeper of finance; H. H. Lien, master-at-arms; W. H. Eaton, sentinel; A. E. Carlson, picket. After the meeting was adjourned, oysters were served, and many "good of the order" remarks were made by the speakers. Deputy supreme commander H. Hoochoom of Two Harbors is in the city this week, looking after new members.

The chicken pie supper given by the ladies of the Methodist church in the opera house Tuesday night was quite a success, some \$25 being netted.

The local political pot is beginning to boil.

Mrs. James Karl is seriously ill with pneumonia.

A saloon will be opened by Bruno Jacobs in the Cole & McDonald block Tuesday.

The work of repairing the damage by fire to the Troy Steam laundry is finished.

Many from this city were in attendance at the Faval club party at the Faval hall last night.

Officers of the local Woodmen camp were elected Wednesday night as follows: J. A. Kennedy, V. C. W. Eaton, W. A.; E. E. Burley, banker; Albert E. Bleckford, clerk; A. N. Thompson, escort; William Dickinson, sentry; Carl Marberg, watchman; Joseph Deering, chief forester; Dr. Lemont, physician; A. N. Thompson and Edward Johnson, managers.

The Woodmen will tender a farewell party to Professor L. W. Everson of the Woodmen band at the lodge hall Saturday night.

Professor S. W. Gilpin of the public schools of this district and Miss Elizabeth Crawshaw of Minneapolis will be married at the latter place Monday next.