

CITY COUNCIL TO GO AFTER COOK'S HOTEL

PLACE REPUTED TO BE MOST IN-QUIETOUS HELL-HOLE IN THE CITY.

Relation of Moses Cook and B. J. Cook in Saloon and Hotel Business Will Open up New Question in the Council. Sufficient Proof That Hotel is Rendezvous of Many Notorious Characters. Young Girls Have Been Lured to Hotel.

It is evident that there is going to be an immediate general house cleaning in Duluth. A moral wave is due to sweep down Superior street, and it will carry before it every gambling room and house of assignation on the street.

The majority of the members of the City Council are determined to find out if there is not some way to remove these evils. Alderman Moore, who is the leader for clean morals in the council, put it about right last Monday evening when he said: "It should be the policy of this council to find out some way to stop these wrongs. We are not here to split hairs over the matter, or to find excuses for the existence of such places. What we want is to find a means to revoke the license of every saloon where immorality of this nature is permitted to exist."

The question under discussion was the revoking of the saloon license of Moses Cook. It seems that the Cook hotel is run under the name of B. J. Cook, while the saloon is run in the name of Moses Cook.

Moses Cook secured his license under a clause in the saloon ordinance which permits the issuing of licenses to hotels having fifty rooms or more. The majority of the members of the council were led to believe that Moses Cook was to open a hotel, and that he wanted a saloon in connection with it to help support the hotel.

How License Was Granted.

The fact that Mr. Cook received the license under the hotel exception clause of the ordinance, and that he does not own the hotel may open up a new question in the council. Some of the aldermen maintain that Mr. Cook's position is consistent with the spirit of the ordinance. Others, however, hold to the opinion that if licenses are to be granted in new hotel buildings, that they should only be granted to the people who shall run the hotel.

The latter opinion is consistent with the spirit and intent of the original ordinance which limited the number of saloons. If the first opinion prevails the whole ordinance is discriminating legislation. It will mean then that when one man can not secure a license in a store building, that another, who stands in with someone who is building a rooming house—sometimes called a hotel—with 50 rooms or more, can have a license. There is no justice in this kind of legislation. All of the argument used in securing the adoption of the original hotel exception clause to the saloon ordinance, was based on the fact that Duluth needed more hotels, and that a hotel to be a success must have a saloon in connection with it. The idea was to help the hotel man and not the saloon man. So much for the Cook hotel saloon license.

Hotel Has Bad Reputation.

Now for the hotel itself. It is generally conceded on Superior street that Cooks European hotel is one of the worst hell-holes in the city. Young girls scarcely out of school to the most noted characters in the city have been admitted within its walls. Every saloon keeper on Superior street, who wants to see the saloon business kept as decently as possible has strongly condemned the place. One of them in discharging it said, "all that it required to make it complete was a piano."

It is evident to any investigator, that the proprietor of the hotel is aware of the reputation of his place. Those who defend him say that nothing can be done. When a man and woman register at his place, they claim that he is not supposed to ask if they are man and wife. This argument might do very well to deceive some people, but it does not go down with everyone. Hotel clerks know their people. A keeper of a respectable hotel would become suspicious if he saw, night after night, such names as Olson and wife, O'Brien and wife, Johnson and wife, Smith and wife, and a dozen others with no initials or place of residence given. A keeper of a respectable hotel would soon discover the fact that there was something wrong if he should nightly hear the hilarious voices of drunken women resounding through the building until the "wee sma" hours of the morning.

Evidence of Employes. The fact of the matter is that B. J. Cook never intended to run a respectable place. A bartender, who worked at the place from the day it opened recently quit because it was becoming too rank. "I have been in the saloon business for a number of years, but," he says to the Labor World, "I never got into such a disreputable place in my life. I could not have worked there much longer, and maintained my self respect."

The late James Muckle, who was clerk in the hotel for a short time said just before his death, which occurred about a month ago: "If I get well I never want to go into such a hell-hole again. During the short time that I have been there, I have seen more immorality than I saw in my whole life." This is the testimony of men who have worked in the hotel.

Such being the case it is the duty of the city officials to do all in their power to compel the evil to be removed. The closest attention should be given the place, and nothing should be left undone to compel it to observe the moral laws of this community. The city council cannot afford to be indifferent on this proposition. If it closes its eyes to such an evil it can expect nothing less than the righteous rebuke of an indignant people.

WILL TAKE PART

GAYAQUIL, Feb. 10.—The government of Ecuador has decided to participate officially in the St. Louis exposition.

CORDWOOD SELLING AT HIGH PRICES

While cordwood is plentiful this year the price remains as high as it has been during the past few winters. Last winter when the coal famine had Superior in its grasp the price was raised, and although the conditions do not prevail this winter the price of wood has remained as high.

Four foot wood brings \$4 a cord and stove lengths \$7.50, and split \$7.50. Dealers explain the fact that the continued high price with the statement that while the supply is supposed to be large it is being rapidly cut off. A large amount of green wood was being sold as dry, was cut last winter and a still larger amount is being cut this year.

WOMAN FATALLY INJURED IN FIRE

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 10.—A panic took place among the roomers at a lodging house early today when the house was discovered to be on fire, resulting in probable death to one and serious injury to six other inmates. Pandemonium reigned supreme, frightened women, struggling men and crying children adding to the great confusion and distress. The narrow halls of the building were choked with fleeing people and in several instances persons were knocked down and trampled on. Mrs. Mary Rathjens, the worst injured of any of the occupants of the house, will die as the result of a fracture of the skull.

SUPERIOR WANTS REPUB. CONVENTION

"Superior, as the second city in the state is making an effort to get the next Republican state convention held in this city. A Milwaukee newspaper man, "We shall have a hall there large enough to accommodate the convention, plenty of hotel accommodations and the people will be glad to see you and mortgage their homes in order to raise the money to show the boys a good time. Many of the people of southern Wisconsin have never been up in that country and don't know anything about it, and a great many of them would like to do so, if they could find some excuse for making the journey."

SMALL BOY SAW MURDER COMMITTED

OWATONNA, Minn., Feb. 10.—All eye witness of the Krier murder has been identified according to information in the hands of County Attorney Littleton. The witness is an 11-year-old Bohemian boy, living north of the city near the scene of the murder. His story is taken to further confirm the guilt of the Nelsons and Sutton. The name of the boy is withheld at present. He was enroute to his home from school when the tragedy occurred, and he saw the shots fired. He saw two boys start and run up the hill towards the woods, while a third was fumbling the clothes of the murdered man.

CLOQUET MAY APPLY FOR CITY CHARTER

CLOQUET, Feb. 10.—The Commercial club of Cloquet has taken up the question of changing the present village organization to that of a city and has petitioned the state for a great deal of energy. New petitions favoring the re-organization are now being circulated and will probably be ready for presentation to the board of county commissioners at the next meeting. Cloquet now has a population of nearly 4,500 and is growing rapidly. There are a great many disadvantages, the residents state, in a village government for so large a community and they are anxious to have it changed.

STUDENTS STAND BY THE PROFESSOR

RACINE, Wis., Feb. 10.—With cheers for the deposed principal of the Danish Lutheran college and jeers for the faculty, fifty of the students have left the college with the principal today. A dispute between the principal and Rev. C. H. Jensen, president of the college directorate over the expelling of students because of smoking and the demand that the principal turn all books and accounts and leave the college after the directors had accepted his resignation to take effect March 5 was the cause.

MAY ESTABLISH TURPENTINE FACTORY

CLOQUET, Minn., Feb. 10.—A number of local capitalists are now investigating the advisability of establishing a turpentine factory here. There are pine stumps in abundance, which is believed can be utilized and the matter is being given a thorough investigation. A number of the projectors have visited the state of Michigan, Minn., in order to secure some idea of the cost and methods of manufacture.

GAMBLING HOUSES CLOSED BY POLICE

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 10.—An edict which went forth from police headquarters last night closed every one of the score or more of gambling houses in Minneapolis. A tiger has been banished from Minneapolis for a time. Not even the race pool room on Sixth street south, which up to now has been considered immune, was open today.

WARDEN WOLFER RESIGNS POSITION

ST. PAUL, Feb. 10.—Warden Henry Wolfer today handed in his resignation as warden of the state prison. The state board of control has appointed N. F. Boucher, warden of the North Dakota penitentiary, to succeed Mr. Wolfer. Mr. Boucher has held his former position for ten years.

VOTE BONDS FOR NEW SCHOOL HOUSE

IRON RIVER, Mich., Feb. 10.—This township today voted in favor of bonding the district for \$25,000 for a new school house. The vote stood 180 for, to 69 against.

COMMITTS SUICIDE

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 10.—G. A. Yelting, an actor, killed himself tonight in a sensational manner. He placed the muzzle of a revolver in his mouth, fired the weapon and fell, dying at the door of Florence Roberts, the actress. Her own responsibility in inability to obtain employment is believed to have caused the act. Yelting was 31 years of age and leaves a divorced wife and child in Rochester, N. Y., and a brother in Detroit.

HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER RESIGNED UNDER FIRE

TAKES UNDUE LIBERTIES WITH YOUNG LADY PUPILS.

Board Accepts Resignation in Silence. Member of Board says That Cause is "None of the Public's Business." Board is Making a Mistake. It is the Public's Business. Parents Have a Right to Know.

There is a hush in public school circles: At the Central High school there is a little scandal. The pupils whisper about it, but it is in a "don't you tell" sort of a way. The school Board is doing everything it can to keep it quiet, but it will not down. The trouble is all over a professor who was afflicted with a combination of those strange maladies, referred to in the science of love-making as "kiss-to-mania" and "hugmography."

It was reported some time ago to the faculty of the High school that Professor Barker, teacher of Chemistry, was in the habit of meeting certain girl pupils in the school when the air was charged with that little microbe known to the pedagogues from time immemorial, as the "kissing bug," and was then and there overcome with the seductive sound of its buzzing wings.

This was reported to the powers that be, and the infected professor was immediately called upon the carpet. He was told of the charge against him, but like a man who was afflicted, and knew not whereof he was suffering denied the charge. When confronted by the blushing witnesses who were the victims of his strange mania, there were "ahems" and "haws," stuttering and stammering followed by a general collapse. So ended act two.

Resigned Under Fire.

The finale of this episode occurred at a meeting of the Board of Education held at the High school last Saturday evening when the resignation of Professor Barker was received and accepted without comment. "Resigned under fire," as one of the more talkative members of the Board put it to the Labor World.

The curtain might have dropped here were it not for the presence of the irrepresible newspaper man, who thought he had a "hunch" on a good story. He asked a prominent member of the board to read the resignation, saying at the time that the public would like to know something about it. "It is none of the public's business," pompously responded the member.

None of the public's business, eh? Well it is the public's business. The people have a right to know what is going on in the schools of this city. They have a right to know the moral status of the teachers employed in our public schools, and the public servants have no right to hide from the parents of school children the conditions surrounding them while in school.

Moral Life of Greater Importance. This is a serious question, and we can appreciate the desire of the board to protect the good reputation of our schools, but it is of infinitely more importance to protect the moral life of our children. This can best be done by making an example of persons guilty of taking liberties which tend to debase the lives of the young.

The board ought to know by this time that their policy of shielding men, who so far forget themselves and their positions of public trust, that they take undue liberties with the children placed under their care, is not conducive of the desired results.

This is not the first offense of this nature committed in the public schools of our city. It was just a short time ago when a predecessor of Professor Barker's was compelled to resign for conduct unbecoming a teacher. The board pursued the same silence in that instance also. This man, by the way, resigned and so far as the world at large is concerned, was given a clear record.

Publicity Will Stop It. Try the other course gentlemen. Try publicity. Your secrecy will not prevent these offenders from going elsewhere. Your silence is a recommendation of these men to other communities, when you know full well that their records should be published to the world.

The future safety of our republic; the perpetuity of our christian institutions, and the moral status of the rising generation depends very largely upon the character of the men and women who are entrusted with the education of our children. Let us see to it that the personnel of our educators is above reproach.

EMPLOYER STUDIES SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

An English coco manufacturer, who employs 4,000 women in his factory has hit upon a new idea in the way of dealing with his employes. He has employed four "social secretaries," whose business is to see that the working people are fairly treated. These "social secretaries" hire the help, organize clubs for their benefit, visit the sick, improve the workroom conditions, supervise the dining room, and give any necessary advice or assistance to the girls who work in the factory. The purpose of these secretaries is to make the girls feel as if they were among friends and mere cogs in a great machine.

WILL NOT OBSERVE THE HOLIDAY

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The New York Stock Exchange will not close on Saturday, February 13, Lincoln's birthday, which is a legal holiday. The decision was announced today by the governors of the exchange to whom the petition for the double holiday had been presented.

CASE DISMISSED

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., Feb. 10.—The case against John M. Glover, formerly congressman from Missouri, for having shot at Sergt. Smith was dismissed today in the district court here on the ground that the accused could not be tried twice for the same offense.

NORTHERN LODGE TO COMPETE FOR TROPHY

Next Monday night Northern lodge, I. O. O. F., will give their third and last exhibition in the contest which was arranged by the trophy committee of the three lodges of this city. The other two lodges, Terminal and Superior—have already competed.

In the work of the Superior lodge 338, the following composed the degree team: Degree captain, P. B. Nelson; musician, N. L. Bender; P. George W. Lutten; N. G. P. J. Roise; V. G. W. H. McEachen; R. S. N. G. E. H. Arnold; R. S. V. G. F. Broberg; L. S. V. G. E. O. Olson; R. S. S. F. J. Dow; L. S. S. Dan McKenna; L. S. T. M. P. Becker; Helge Johnson; H. Gustafson; Ed. Eskilson; S. D. Thomas Bryce, outside conductor; All. Gronquist; warden, E. D. Michaels.

STATE DEPARTMENT HAS FOUR CARRIAGES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The state department's answer to the house carriage resolution was transmitted to that body today by President Roosevelt. The answer sums up the livery as follows: The department maintains for the use of the secretary and assistant secretaries one brougham, one victoria, two depot wagons, one survey, four horses, three sets of single harness and one set of double harness.

The total cost of the outfit is \$2,845. Four assistant messengers at \$60 a month are employed as drivers. No footmen or automobiles are employed.

BATTLESHIP TAKES VERY LONG SHOT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—One of the officers of the battleship Missouri, which is engaged in target practice off the Chesapeake capes, wrote the navy department today with a remarkable statement. He said that one of the twelve-inch guns being elevated to the target at a shell which the strongest glass could not follow to the end of its flight. Later a passing steamer reported that a shot had struck the sea within 300 yards of her. The steamer was distant from the Missouri just fifteen miles.

NORMAL GIRLS WILL PLAY BASKETBALL

Considerable interest is being taken in the basketball team to be played at the Normal tomorrow and Saturday nights between the Superior Normal girls and the girls five from the St. Cloud, Minn., Normal. The visitors are expected to be proficient and have played several creditable games against the strongest girl teams in the west this season. The Superior five has not played any games this season owing to their inability of securing dates.

HYLANDER CASE IS ADJOURNED TO FEB. 17

Alex Hylander was arraigned in municipal court yesterday afternoon charged with having robbed Charles Erickson of \$150 in the Q. P. saloon. He pleaded not guilty and the hearing was adjourned to Feb. 17. Erickson claims that he was drugged while in the saloon and his pocket book containing the money taken from him. Hylander is supposed to have been the person in the saloon who was the main interest in Erickson before he went to jail.

NEWS TRIBUNE IS READ FOR WAR NEWS

An unusual amount of interest is being taken in Superior today at the outcome of the war between Russia and Japan. The News Tribune is eagerly sought as soon as it comes out, while the bulletin board in front of the Tower avenue office is read constantly for the latest news from the far east. The sentiment in this city seems to be in favor of Japan and but few supporters of Russia are found.

BITTER COLD KILLS MANY SHADE TREES

ISHPEMING, Mich., Feb. 10.—Numerous shade trees in various upper peninsula towns have been ruined by the excessive cold weather of the past several weeks. In past winters it has not been uncommon to find the bark of trees split by the frost, but the trees are being cracked open clear to the heart. Trees of the rapid growing variety and softer woods appear to suffer more than those of the harder varieties.

PALMER BILL DISCUSSED BY COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The Palmer bill, intended as a national corporation law, was the subject of discussion today by the house committee on the judiciary. F. E. Thurber, of New York, being heard in favor of the measure. The committee took no action.

TOMMY WARREN DIES OF PNEUMONIA

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.—Tommy Warren, champion featherweight pugilist of America, is dead of pneumonia in this city.

PROF. MERRILL TALKS OF SUPERIOR HARBOR

Prof. J. A. Merrill of the Superior Normal last night delivered in the lecture room at the library the first series of lectures, which had been arranged for Miss Edwards, on the Superior harbor. Prof. Merrill spoke of the formation of the harbor and his address was followed by the clearest attention by those present. He explained the origin of the harbor and its geological formation and described the various changes constantly taking place.

WISCONSIN MAN ELECTED PRESIDENT

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 10.—Dr. A. C. Frazer, of Mantowoc, Wis., today was elected president of the Western Goods Association.

WILL ARBITRATE

MEMPHIS, Mich., Feb. 10.—The members of the senior class at the Menominee high school have elected two of their number, a young woman and a young man, to act as a board of arbitration. All disputes arising in the class will be referred to the pair for adjudication.

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY An Extraordinary Sale of Odds @ Ends Suits for One Day Only A selection of over 400 odds and ends Suits--up--to--date--patterns--worth up to \$22.00--must be sold at once--the entire lot for tomorrow--only \$6.85 REMEMBER, THIS SALE LASTS JUST ONE DAY. So be on hand early and get a Suit of Clothes for less than half the manufacturer's costs. Our Entire Line of Overcoats at HALF PRICE! We place on sale our entire line of Overcoats tomorrow at Half Price. Notice the Brockton \$2.50 and \$3.50 Shoes are now on sale here. Robt. Budden in charge of dept. THE EAGLE CLOTHING HOUSE 321 W. Superior St., Duluth. D. Casmir, Prop.

DULUTH HEIGHTS GOSSIP BRIEF AND SOCIAL NEWS PEOPLE PREPARING FOR ENTERTAINMENT OF OLD MAIDS' CONVENTION. Leading Bachelor Maidens of the Nation will be Represented. Papers will be Read on Woman's Suffrage, Dress Reform, Compulsory Matrimony and Why Bachelors Should Marry.—Ladies Working Energetically to Raise Money For Church.

THE BROCKTON \$2.50 and \$3.50 SHOES FOR MEN ARE NOW SOLD AT THE EAGLE CLOTHING HOUSE. 321 West Superior Street, ROBT. BUDDEN IN CHARGE OF DEPT.

For novel things Duluth Heights takes the cake. When anything new is in the air its people can rest assured that it will lose no time in arriving on the Heights. Such citizens as J. H. M. Parker, who makes frequent trips to the east and south, invariably comes home chuck full of the latest things out. Oh, we are not very much behind the times. If there is anything that the aristocracy of this little suburb dislikes it is something old. We say aristocracy, because the Heights is unfortunate enough to have degrees of society. Some working people who have done very well in the world sometimes run off with the idea that they are a trifle better than others who have been less fortunate. So where there are degrees of society between the wealthy and the working classes in the large cities, it will be found that the same difference exists between the people of a village composed entirely of working people. Swinton calls it the "aristocracy of labor."

On Monday evening Master John Maghan was surprised by a number of his school friends. Light refreshments were served and games were played. The ladies circle No. 10 of the Episcopal church held their Tuesday meeting with Mrs. Edward Perrott. Alex. Reid left Thursday for the east on a business trip. Alex. McEwen left during the week for a business visit to points in the vicinity of Duluth. The ladies of the Highland church are very busy these cold winter days earning a dollar each to aid in moving the church. Some of them are doing chores about their homes. This is usually done by the husbands. Now the latter are sorry that there is not more occasions of this nature, so that they can continue to escape the hardships of emptying ashes and carrying in wood and water during the cold winter evenings. Ruth Webb is selling pictures of the church. Violet Robertson sells popcorn, and Mrs. T. H. Tomlin will be pleased to polish stoves. All of them are bent on earning a dollar each to help the church.

DAUGHTER GETS DEAD MAN'S ESTATE HELENA, Mont., Feb. 10.—Miss Helen G. Lund, of Jamestown, N. Y., has been decreed by Judge Clements, in district court, to be the sole heir of the late Carl A. Lund, a former Helena mining man, who died recently in South Africa. The estate is valued at about \$7,000. Miss Lund set up that she was the illegitimate daughter of Lund and Caroline Peterson, who became engaged while on a steamer enroute from Sweden to America, in 1887. Owing to financial reverses soon after arriving in Helena, the marriage was not solemnized. The child was born, however, and evidence showed that Lund recognized the girl as his daughter. As Lund's father and mother were dead, Judge Clements decreed Helen G. Lund to be the lawful heir. The claim was contested by other relatives of Lund.

ANNOUNCE RATES TO ST. LOUIS FAIR NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The conference of passenger officials of railroads east of the Mississippi, to the number of about seventy-five, representing the eastern, central and New England associations, which has been held for the past week here under the auspices of the trunk line association, came to an end today. The chief matter for conference was the adoption of rates for the St. Louis fair traffic. It was agreed that beginning April 25, round trip tickets, good until December 15, shall be sold at 80 per cent of double the western fare.

AT LONDON LONDON, Feb. 10.—Prince Alexander of Teck and Princess Alice of Albany, were married today at St. Georges chapel, Windsor castle, where Queen Victoria was married on the same date in 1840. The Archbishop of Canterbury, assisted by other clergy, officiated and King Edward himself gave away the bride. The whole ceremony was very elaborate and brilliant.

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PETITION FOR SHORTER ROAD TO HERMANTOWN. During the winter months the farmers at Hermantown use a cut-off, to the Maple Grove road from Palmetto street. It is quite a convenience to them. They are now circulating a petition to have the road put through and they expect to secure the support of the Duluth Heights people. Every one should encourage this work, for the bringing of farmers through the Heights will be a matter of considerable convenience to the people. Market produce can be had at any time, and at much cheaper prices than usually prevail.

FORMER MAYOR OF CHICAGO IS DEAD CHICAGO, Feb. 10.—John A. Roche, former mayor of Chicago, died suddenly this afternoon during an attack of vertigo with which he was seized while at the office of E. W. Patterson, editor-in-chief of the Chicago Tribune.

PULP WOOD WILL COME IN FREE NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The attitude of the board of United States general appraisers toward pulp wood imported from the province of New Brunswick, Canada, has been clearly defined by

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TALKS WITH BANKERS NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the treasury, was in conference with a number of bankers at the sub-treasury today regarding the government payment of Panama canal monies. Definite arrangements have been completed the secretary said to the effect that there need be no disturbance of local financial conditions.

AMERICAN BOY WINS PARIS, Feb. 10.—Willie Hoppe, the American boy billiardist has won the championship "Des Jeunes Martyrs," beating Sanchez in the final.

DULUTH HEIGHTS BRIEFS. The "Round the Corner" club, composed of a number of charming young girls, gave a leap year sleighing party Wednesday evening. After a ride through the city they were driven to the home of Robert Johnston, where the balance of the evening was spent in games and music. The people riding up and down on the incline car these days are not short of something to talk about. There is scarcely a trip but what brings forth an argument on the war in the far east.

WARSHIPS COALING COLON, Feb. 10.—The United States Cruiser Olympia has left here for Chiquiquito lagoon to coal. The gunboat To-

ENGINEERS CHANGE PLACE OF MEETING NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The annual meeting of the American Institution of Mining Engineers, which was to have been held at Baltimore, Feb. 16-20 will be held at the same date in Atlantic City, N. J., the change having become necessary because of the Baltimore fire.

LAST OPPORTUNITY TO DANCE BEFORE LENTEN SEASON. Second Annual Ball given by The International Association of Machinists. Zenith Lodge No. 274. Oddfellows Hall, Tuesday, Feb. 16th. Blewett's Orchestra. Tickets 75c.

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