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PLAN MANY MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS

City Will Do Great Amount of Paving and Other Public Work the Coming Season.

In line with the advancement in municipal improvements which has marked the course of the present council, the action taken by the body Tuesday evening bespeaks a continuance of this policy the coming season, the council accepting the plans and specifications for the paving of Maple street from Railroad to Central, Central avenue from Willow to Cedar, Chestnut street from Central to Virginia avenue, and Cleveland, Wyoming and Mesaba avenues for one block on either side of Chestnut street, and ordered a resolution for presentation at the next meeting calling for bids for such work.

The specifications as submitted by the engineer provide for either tar macadam or creosoted wood blocks, the engineer's estimate being approximately \$24,000 for tar macadam with rock base or \$34,000 with concrete base, and \$76,000 for creosoted wood blocks on a concrete foundation.

While the original cost of the creosoted wood block pavement is considerably higher there is a well defined feeling that this material should certainly be used on the Chestnut street extension to conform with the rest of the street, while the commanding position of Central avenue leads many to consider the higher priced pavement for that thoroughfare. Under the new charter, however, the property owner is greatly relieved from improvement expense of this nature, inasmuch as 60 percent of such expense is paid from the general fund. The council also ordered a cement walk on Chestnut street between Central and Virginia avenues, and granted the petitions of property owners for sidewalk extensions in various parts of the city.

The sewer commission appointed to assess special improvement taxes for sewer benefits in District No. 3H and East Division of Virginia filed their report, which was accepted, and the clerk was instructed to certify same to the county auditor.

A petition to legalize the proposed Pillsbury Addition to the city was laid over for one week, that the committee might report on whether or not the necessary street improvements had been made. In this connection the city attorney was instructed to draft an ordinance covering future annexations to the city.

Hockey Team Enjoys a Banquet.

The Norton Hardware Company tendered a most enjoyable banquet to the members of the Norton Hardware Hockey Team at the European Hotel last evening, those sitting at the banquet board being Gordon Cohen, manager, Stanley Watt, captain, Jack Goldstein, official roofer, Charles Grimes, Herman Eaton, George Meehan, Everett Lindsay, Vernon Johnson, Axel Dahl, Halver Olson, Edward Deering and Lambert Gill.

The team played seven games during the season, winning six, the only game lost being with Fort France at the Canadian city, the small rink being accredited as the cause. During the season two games were played with Fort Frances, two with Eveleth, one with Hibbing and two with the Dr. Guidinger team.

Wedded Ten Years.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Milavetz celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on Sunday last by delightfully entertaining a large number of friends. Among those present from outside the city were Miss Breakey of Minneapolis, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wilk and Mrs. Kaner of Eveleth. Bridge was played, the honors being won by Mrs. Jos. Roman and Mrs. L. Cohen. All united in wishing the host and hostess many happy returns of the day.

Organize Home Talent Orchestra.

Under the direction of H. W. Peterson, violinist, a meeting was held Sunday last at which was organized Peterson's Orchestra, with H. W. Peterson as director.

The new organization comprises at the outset ten of the best musicians in the city, and this number will be added to.

The organization embraces strictly home talent, and can furnish any number of pieces for any occasion. Strict satisfaction guaranteed.

Attempted Robbery.

The store of Frank Klink, on west Chestnut, was entered by two men Monday night by means of a back window, but the pair ran foul of an obstacle to their intended burglary in the person of Anton Klink, who sleeps in the store and who was awakened by the noise, attacking the pair with a stove poker. The men fought back and severely pounded Mr. Klink, but left without taking much of value. A cap left behind is the only clue as to the possible identity of the intruders.

COMMITTED SUICIDE ON TRAIN

Wallace Billey, in Fit of Temporary Insanity, Wields Razor With Fatal Results.

Passengers on the Duluth, Rainy Lake & Winnipeg train from Duluth Tuesday evening were horrified at the action of Wallace Billey, a fellow passenger, a short distance this side of Iron Junction, who left the coach and standing in the vestibule drew forth a razor and slashed his throat in such a manner that death relieved his sufferings before the train reached this point.

The deceased was about 29 years of age, and was a son of Napoleon Billey who was killed by a train some three years ago.

On last Ash Wednesday the mother of the unfortunate young man died, and it is thought brooding over this had temporarily turned his mind.

He had left the city a couple of days previously, and relatives fearing some misfortune might befall him had asked the police to assist in finding him. It appears that he had gone to Duluth, and upon his return Monday is said to have walked nervously up and down the aisle of the car several times before entering the vestibule where he committed the terrible deed.

Several brothers and sisters living here survive the young man, and to them is extended the sympathy of all. Funeral services will be conducted on Sunday.

Park Board to Have Plenty of Coin.

That the Virginia Park Board will have plenty of coin at their command for prospective improvements seems assured, the council Tuesday evening voting to turn the \$25,000 received from the county for the purchase of the park site, Block 43, to the park fund, ordering a resolution draws for presentation at the next meeting providing for the formal transfer of this sum.

Mayor Hawkinson opposed this disposition of the entire amount, contending that the money could be used more advantageously at this time in street work and setting forth that at the present time the park fund contained some \$13,000, while \$10,000 additional would accrue to that fund through the last tax levy. Secretary Poirier, of the Park Board, took a different view of the proposition and cited the fact that the Park Board had in the past been seriously hampered through lack of sufficient funds to put in operation various projects for the beautifying of the city; that the Board planned on working in harmony with the council and in assisting in street work through the boulevarding of various thoroughfares, to which end they had already enlisted the services of Morrell & Nichols, landscape architects, of Minneapolis; that the Board felt reasonably sure of its inherent right to the proceeds from the sale of the park site and in anticipation had spent much time in quest of another suitable site; that two or three such sites had been located and that the turning of this money into the park fund would furnish the Board with the sinews for the purchase and improvement of some one of these.

The council appeared unanimous in its decision as to the disposition of the money, and it is unlikely the mayor will veto the formal resolution placing the cash at the disposal of the Park Board.

Will Lay Corner-Stone of New Synagogue.

Invitations have been issued this week by the Congregation Bnai Abraham to the ceremonies attendant upon the laying of the corner stone of the handsome new synagogue edifice erected by the congregation in this city, on Sunday afternoon next at 3:00 o'clock. The corner stone will be laid by the Lodge of Bnai Brith, of Duluth, the ceremonies attendant being conducted by Rabbi Lefkowitz, rabbi of the Duluth Temple.

It is expected that many from Duluth, as well as from all adjoining range cities will be in attendance at the ceremonies.

The new temple has been erected at a cost of about \$10,000, and reflects great credit upon the members of the congregation as a whole and especially upon the committee, composed of J. Mesberg, president; M. Shanedding, vice president; Julius Shanedding, Joseph Roman, H. J. Nathanson, Samuel Lippman and J. F. Lavick, having the work in charge.

Resigns From Commission.

Because of his election to the office of alderman Edward C. A. Johnson has tendered his resignation as a member of the Police and Fire Commission.

Mayor Hawkinson will likely report an appointment to fill the unexpired term, as also an appointment caused by the expiring term of another member of the board, to the council at the next meeting.

TWO CASES OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASE

Annual Report of Assistant Health Officer Shows Remarkable Health Conditions in City.

The report of J. P. Chalmers, assistant health officer, for the eleven months from May 1, 1909, to March 29th, 1910, as submitted to the council Tuesday evening shows a pleasing and remarkable condition of health to exist in the city at the present time, but two cases of contagious disease being under the supervision of the health department at the present time, one being a case of scarlet fever and one being a case of small-pox confined at the Detention Hospital.

The report shows as assistant health officer Mr. Chalmers, during the period mentioned, took care of and quarantined and disinfected 79 cases of diphtheria, 27 cases of scarlet fever, 5 cases of small-pox, 3 cases of measles, 2 cases of erysipelas and 1 case of pneumonia, making a total of 117 cases.

Of the above number of cases there were taken care of at the Detention Hospital 10 cases of diphtheria, 4 cases of small-pox, 3 cases of measles, 2 cases of erysipelas, 1 case of scarlet fever and 1 case of pneumonia, making a total of 21 cases cared for at the city hospital. Aside from the cases above reported there were a number of cases of measles among children in the city which were not quarantined.

During the period mentioned Mr. Chalmers also issued 16 orders for the removal of dead animals from various parts of the city, and 25 orders for the removal of night soil and garbage.

Library Meeting and Addresses.

On April 7th and 8th, Miss Clara F. Baldwin, Secretary of the Minnesota Public Library Commission will hold a round table meeting at the Virginia Public Library for the librarians of the public and school libraries and members of the library boards from Hibbing, Eveleth, Chisholm, Coleraine, Two Harbors, Grand Marais, Cloquet, Duluth, Bemidji, Aitkin and Grand Rapids. At this meeting there will be an informal discussion of topics pertaining to library matters.

In the evening of April 7th, there will be a meeting for the public in the auditorium of the Roosevelt High School to be addressed by Pres. E. W. Bohannon, of the State Normal School at Duluth, and Hon. Martin Hughes, District Judge, of Hibbing. The library board are sparing no efforts to make this meeting a success and if you are at all interested in the welfare of Virginia and in the good that the library can do for the city through you, you should be present at this meeting.

Will Organize I. O. O. F. at Gilbert.

Gilbert, the youngest of range cities, will shortly have an I. O. O. F. lodge, it being stated that same will start with a membership of upwards of fifty.

Much of the credit due for a awakening interest in the institution of a lodge at that point is due Mr. C. O. Welch, justice of the peace, who has devoted considerable energy to the organization. Of the charter membership some twenty will be members of other range lodges at the present time.

Star Chamber Session.

At the close of the busy session of the city council Tuesday evening the members of the new council, which assumes the reins of government Tuesday evening next, met in brief session, discussing organization and certain appointments at their disposal.

The result of their deliberations will likely be made manifest and become public property upon the organization of the new body Tuesday evening.

Capt. Trezona Injured.

Capt. R. R. Trezona, superintendent of the Fayal district mines of the steel corporation, while inspecting work at the Gilbert mine Tuesday morning fell into a hole, dropping fourteen feet and sustaining two broken ribs. He was at once removed to his home at the Fayal location, where he is reported to be resting easily.

Last Number of Course.

The Farland-Newhall Company will appear at the Roosevelt Auditorium on Friday evening next, April 8th, in the last number of the Lyceum course of the season. The numbers throughout have been of a most meritorious character, and the best is said to have been saved for the last.

Again Stripping at Commodore.

After a brief season of repair work active stripping operations were resumed at the Commodore yesterday morning, one shovel being put on the work. A second shovel will be put on the stripping next Monday, and the dirt will continue to fly.

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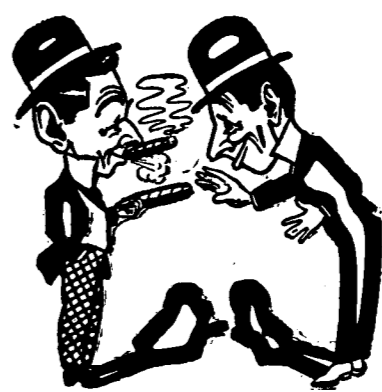
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