

# DEADLOCK IN CITY COUNCIL

IT LEAVES VIRGINIA IN CURIOUS  
MUDDLE—AUDITOR HALDEN  
APPEALED TO.

## CONCERNS THE ASSESSOR

JOHN HOLMBERG AND M. STEIN-  
BERG TIED.

Albert E. Dunsmore's Coup—It May  
Not Stick, However—Real, Live  
Alligator in Town.

News Tribune Correspondence:

VIRGINIA, May 2.—The deadlock in the common council in the appointment for city assessor has taken a very novel and unexpected turn. It will be remembered that at two meetings of the city dads during the past month a deadlock occurred, and that in the many votes taken proved 4 votes for M. Steinburg and 4 votes for John Holmberg, while the application of Albert E. Dunsmore was hardly noticed. The city charter states that the assessor must be elected in April. Mr. Dunsmore waited for his chance and went to Duluth to see County Auditor Halden, who accepted his bonds, and administered the oath of office, Monday. So it was decided to elect Mr. Steinberg at the regular meeting Tuesday, so that the appointment would be made according to the charter in April. But there were two parties to this deal. Those who opposed Mr. Steinberg did not attend the meeting, and no quorum was present. At ten o'clock Mr. Holmberg pulled out of the race, and Peter Byrne entered as a dark horse, and the aldermen were called for a meeting at the eleventh hour, and when the meeting was about to be called the Steinberg men did not appear. In consequence thereof no meeting was held and the appointment went by default. It is probable now that Mr. Dunsmore will hold over on the strength of being appointed to succeed himself. However, Auditor Halden has taken up the matter and will give his opinion soon.

The boys of the high school, assisted by some of the former members, gave a delightful dancing party at Fay's opera house last evening. About seventy-five couples were present, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Luncheon was served at 12.

Mrs. Andrew Johnson went to Duluth Tuesday to meet Mr. Johnson's sister, Miss Ida, who comes here from New York to spend the summer.

John Peterson will move into the Belanger residence today.

Dr. Bates was in Duluth on business Monday.

A. B. Coates was at Hibbing the fore part of the week.

Miss Hilma Aysta left here Monday for Birmingham, N. Y., where she will spend the summer with relatives.

Dave Kelly was over from Eveleth Monday.

Editor Hannaford was a Buhl caller Monday.

Mrs. W. H. Northey left for Montana Saturday. She expects to remain permanently.

W. H. Cole of the firm of Cole McDonald, Sundayed with his family in Duluth.

Adolph Belanger, formerly chief of police here, was over from Chisholm Monday.

Larry Doucette, the harness maker, one of the old pioneers of the range, died Sunday morning at the Miller hospital ward. He contracted a bad cold a few weeks ago and did not attend to it until too late. His remains were taken care of by friends and were buried Tuesday morning.

Capt. M. L. Fay returned home Monday, after an absence of nearly a month. He had been in Oregon looking up a lead proposition.

Senator Hawkins was over from Hibbing yesterday.

City Treasurer Pratt was a Duluth visitor Monday.

Lumberman W. T. Bailey was in the city the fore part of the week.

Cashier Griggs, of the bank of Virginia, arrived home from Tarpen Springs, Fla., Saturday evening, accompanied by his young daughter, Mabel. He reports a fine trip, and is greatly improved in health.

The Bailey sawmill on Virginia lake commenced the season's run last Monday.

Fred Lezala, Joe Demgen and Philly Cormler went to Grand Rapids on Tuesday. From that place the party goes to the Coffey exploration camps, where iron prospecting is going on.

Mrs. Charles E. Fay visited at Duluth the fore part of the week.

While in Florida recently E. Z. Griggs of this city, secured a half-dozen live alligators, and had them properly boxed and sent to his address here. One of them, labeled for the Virginia club boxed alone, arrived in good condition, and is still alive, but those he wanted for himself died shortly after arriving.

Elmer Mathieson has returned much improved from Hot Springs, Ark. where he went for the treatment of rheumatism.

Alderman Walberg was at Buhl on Tuesday.

The ladies aid society of the Catholic church met with Mrs. A. E. Bickford Tuesday. They meet with Mrs. C. E. Moore next week.

The young sons of W. E. Hannaford, Louis Cohen and James Sullivan, are recovering from scarlet fever.

C. C. Christopher, with his family, moved to Duluth Monday, where he has secured employment.

Gust, and Andrew Jackson returned from a trip to the farming district of the Little Forks on Tuesday.

Jay Anderson, the cigar agent, was up from Duluth the fore part of the week.

T. R. Patterson and family have moved to West Superior.

Mrs. T. G. Bush visited friends at

Hibbing yesterday.

Mrs. Louis Mark is visiting friends at Duluth this week.

Alick Gunderson, of the Virginia Cash Grocery company store, went to St. Paul Wednesday for a short visit.

J. Adam Bede was in the city a few hours Tuesday.

Alderman Walberg and Jacob Mattson were Hibbing visitors Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Katherine Nies' resignation as operator at the local telephone exchange took effect Thursday.

W. T. James was down from Ely on Thursday.