AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Washing of Municipal Linen in a Special City Council Meeting.

REPORT OF THE CITIZENS' COMMITTEE

Many Points of Local Administration Give Occasion for Strictures and Adverse Comment—Warm Discussion by the Interested Persons.

At a meeting of the South Omaha city council last Friday night C. M. Hunt, as a member of the taxpayers executive committee, asked permission to have a member of their committee read a report in regard to the management of the city affairs. The request was granted and Mr. J. J. Breen stepped inside the railing and read the document, which was as follows:

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF SOUTH OMAHA, NEB.—Gentlemen: On the 9th day of August, 1893, at the High school building in this city, at a meeting of the taxpayers to hear a report of a previously appointed committee on the conditions of our city affairs, a committee was appointed by said taxpayers so assembled, consisting of ten of the citizens of our city, to look into the general management of the city government and ascertain if the statements made in said report were true, and to make a report thereon. In accordance therewith we, the said committee, began operations by inviting the city officers, who by that report were charged with having their accounts and books in anything but proper order, and also the city council to meet us at a place designated in order to hear whatever explanation these gentlemen might have to make in regard to said charges as made in the report. The officers who responded were the police judge, street commissioner, city garbage master and the treasurer. We regret that the city clerk and your honorable body did not see fit to make arrangements to meet us, believing, as we do, that there is nothing more conducive to the welfare of any city, than the closest scrutiny by the taxpayers of all the actions of their servants, the city council and the city officers, and the proper explanations of said officers of anything that may appear irregular in their duties pertaining to the city.

Some Startling Suggestions.

From the information obtainable we have come to the conclusion that the facts stated in the report were true, with one or two exceptions, and that they are verified by the records of the city in almost every particular, and would recommend your honorable body that all city officers be required to fulfill the duties pertaining to their offices in a strictly business manner, and in accordance with the spirit of the law, and any failure on the part of said officers so to do be followed by proper legal steps for dismissal; that all appointive officers be selected with regard to their fitness for the position in every respect, believing as we do, that there are certain heads of departments in the city government today who are utterly incompetent and know very little regarding the duties of their offices, and would recommend that all such appointive officers be required to report and balance their accounts monthly with the city. That elective officers be required to report strictly in accordance with law and that the practice of dividing extra persons' salary among city officers be discontinued. That all persons whose full time and services are paid for by the city be required to serve the city and that any city officer accepting pay and in the employ of another while the same time is paid for by the city be immediately discharged and that competent men be employed who are willing to devote their whole time for the interest of the city, and not serve two masters.

We recommend that the city clerk be requested to keep his books properly written up to date, and that all fees now in his hands belonging to the city be turned into the city treasury.

We recommend that suit be immediately brought for the collection of $3,800 or about that sum which the city treasurer claims as delinquent tax fees in order to settle the question finally whether he is entitled under the law to same or not.

Reform in the Departments.

In regard to the street commissioner we would suggest that he be required in making his monthly report to the council to make a true report and include the material used by him on the streets as well as his own salary in said report; and we are of the opinion that the cost of this department is out of all proportion to the services derived from it and believe a great saving to the city could be made under competent management. We believe the engineering department could be rendered more efficient and at much less expense to the taxpayers by having a head to that department who will devote his entire time to the interests of the city, and would call your attention to the fact of an expenditure of about $3,000 which was rendered useless through the neglect of proper precautions being taken by some one very close to that department. The building inspector's department is a very important one and of great benefit to the city at large if efficiently managed, but it is plain that in order to inspect large and extended buildings mechanical ability is necessary, and people do not pay for a permit simply to look at the paper it is printed on. Comment is unnecessary. The garbage master's duties, fees, etc., should be clearly enacted, and we are of the opinion that a new ordinance should be passed making the fees much lower than they are at present. It is safe to say that no department of the city causes more complaints from the average citizen. Define his duties and his fees more clearly and it will be better for the garbage master and the man who pays him. One thing which seems to be entirely neglected by your finance committee is the necessity of having accounts against the city verified under oath and properly itemized to amount of services or material rendered. After an extended examination we believe that not over one-third of said accounts are verified, and it is amazing to think that a city of this size should permit such a salutary command of the city exchequer to be frequently violated. We would, therefore, recommend that all bills be verified under oath before allowing same. We believe the best interests of the city would be subserved by making it a point to advertise for bids for anything needed by our city the cost of which exceeds $100.

And must condemn the practice of sending city officers to the east to purchase hose and other things needed by our city when the same could be obtained nearer home at a saving to the city. We are aware of no law permitting the city council to allow city officials railroad fare to different cities on the slightest and sometimes imaginary duties, nor do we think it compatible with the dignity of our city fathers to permit money to be taken from the city treasury to pay for the carriage hire of a certain official.

Points Report Praised.

The report of the expert employed by you (Mr. Points) is a valuable one for the city and contains valuable information. Among other things contained in that report mention is made of the fact that there is a balance due as from the county treasurer of a certain sum of money for the year 1892. This should be attended to by you and the whole acted upon without delay.

Your attention is also called to the fact that the printing bills of the city could be considerably reduced by having all advertisements published the number of times required by law and no more. More attention should be given this matter, as we also found places where the advertisements were not published the number of times required by law and it might seriously affect the legality of certain actions. It is our opinion that all bids for public work should be handed in and opened while the council is in session, say at 9 o'clock p. m. same evening. It certainly would be perfectly fair to all concerned and would avoid the unpleasant comment of competitors, and hence recommend the same for your adoption. We would also recommend that in future all assessments for paving be leveled as the work progresses, thus saving the city much interest. It is the opinion of this committee that the bonds of the councilmen should be drawn up in conformity to law and the sureties thereon should all qualify. Some of your bonds as now drawn are simply ridiculous in form.

We would suggest that the city attorney present you his written opinion on validity of same.

Mayor Might Economize.

We are also of the opinion that the mayor would find ample room in the city attorney's office for which the city is now paying $20 per month. He would also have the advantage of a typewriter for which the city pays $15 per month, thus keeping the offices of the city as close together as possible. The stock inspectorship is apparently not appreciated by the parties for whose benefit it was created, since they have refused to pay their share of the salary, and we would recommend that the office be abolished. This would be a saving to the city of several hundred dollars.

The question of going into what is called executive sessions (secret session), we cannot too severely condemn. It is contrary to the spirit and genius of American institutions for a few simple municipal officers to bar themselves in and the public, whom they serve, out, and proceed to discuss city affairs and, as the record shows, vote hundreds of dollars of city money away. It surely would be more manly and business-like to do the same in open council and let the public be the judge of your actions. We would suggest that the secret session be abolished from our council proceedings. We would also suggest that the moneys collected by the firemen for filling cisterns, since we have a paid fire department, be paid into the city treasury, and that taxpayers petitioning your honorable body to have their cisterns filled by the city have their petitions granted and the amount collected therefrom be turned into the city. This would be simply exercise for both horses and men of the fire department. We would further suggest that a written opinion from the city attorney be had before allowing any claim for damages against the city.

Cut Off the Perquisites.

The many extras of different kinds allowed our city officers is a question we believe should have your prompt consideration. Certain officers have assistants paid for by the city when it is a fact one competent man could properly fill the position, and in certain cases this is allowed when it is known that the position is worth thousands to the holder. Many other extras are allowed to certain officers which is entirely contrary to law, and we hold that when any city officer claims he cannot fulfill the duties of his office that he shall be requested to resign his position like a man. The holding of any office is not compulsory, and competent men can be easily obtained. A stringent application of the rule would result in much good to the city. We also consider it antagonistic to the best interest of the city to refuse to accept the resignation of any officer when tendered, and would reiterate our former remark that competent men can always be secured.

In conclusion, gentlemen, we wish to state that we have endeavored through this investigation to act and deal fairly between all concerned. Many things of minor nature might be called to your attention, but the facts which we have herewith submitted for your consideration we deemed sufficient. As taxpayers we feel the burdens are becoming greater every year, while hundreds of dollars are carelessly squandered by our city officials. You certainly cannot be deaf to the voices of those who have to bear the burdens. The corporations in our midst complain of high taxation, the business man complains of the same thing, while the humble laborer striving to attain a home almost gives up in despair. A dollar taken from the last named through unnecessary taxes is a robbery. While everybody feels this dull period, we feel it our duty to ask you to lessen the burdens of our people to stop the many unnecessary drains made on our treasury by many who do not deserve it and are not entitled to it under the laws. Scores of little homes were sold last year for taxes, and we believe more will be sold this year. If you do your duty as servants of the city rest assured the citizens of this city will appreciate it. An economical city government means a happy home for 50,000 people in the next decade. Respectfully submitted.

C. M. HUNT, President.
D. ANDERSON.
JOSEPH J. BREEN.
J. W. SIPE.
WILLIAM H. MAYBERRY.
E. H. ROBBETS.
C. C. CLIFTON.
R. GROHUSIG.
J. A. DOE.

Charged the Committee With Unfairness.

As soon as Mr. Breen had finished Mr. Conley arose and said that in his opinion the committee had acted unfairly. As for himself he had attended a meeting of the committee and stated that he was ready to answer any questions that might be put. It was not his fault if the committee was not ready.

Then City Attorney Van Dusen took the floor and dropped a few sentences that were strictly to the point. He said the committee had acted unfair throughout. Its report did not contain any direct charges, but was filled with inuendoes and insinuations. Dave Anderson, he said, knew all about the Sullivan case on the night of the meeting in the school house, but insinuatingly inquired what became of the "balance of the money paid Mrs. Sullivan by the council." This he considered cowardly and unfair. He defied any member of that committee to point to a single instance where he accepted a dollar that did not rightfully belong to him. While the city attorney had the floor he did not hesitate to tell Mr. Breen that he had acted unfairly in the Sullivan matter also. Breen came back at him with a denial and explanation, but Van Dusen was warm and he spoke long and loud, roasting the committee for the spirit of unfairness which he said it had displayed from the beginning. Anderson concluded that it was about time for him to explain and he stated that it was not his intention at the school house meeting to cast any reflections upon the honesty of the city attorney in the Sullivan case.

Billy Wood fired a hot shot into Anderson for his sweeping insinuations without making a specific charge.

Brigham's Minority Report.

S. P. Brigham, who was a member of the committee, got in a little late, but he lodged a dissenting report in part of what the committee had offered. He thought that some of the officials were acting on the square and mentioned the names of one or two. His principal reason for disagreeing with the committee was that he didn't know whether the assertion were true or not. He had not looked up the facts. He had been told enough, however, about the workings of the city garbage and dog department to give him nerve to roast John Snively quite severely. But he had no facts to present. He simply wanted every one to know that he considered that department of the city to be in a rotten condition.

One point made by Ed Johnson, which his friends considered a ten-strikeit was his making City Attorney Van Dusen admit that he was attorney for the Union Pacific railroad and carried an annual pass. The attorney says he represents the company in all cases except those in which the city is interested. Johnson made his point on the fact that the city attorney had not urged the Union Pacific Railroad company to pay for the repairs on the Q street viaduct. Dave Anderson recommended that the councilmen give new bonds as some of them were worthless. Wyman admitted to Ed Johnson that he had promised several months ago to look up certain matters to which his attention was called, but had neglected to do so.

Wyman, chairman of the committee on finance, got warmed up by this time, and in a speech about an hour long he denied all of the allegations in the Johnson report and produced figures and records to back them up. Ed Johnson and Van Dusen had a little debate on what the committee termed "junketing" trips. Van Dusen backed up his statement with an itemized record and explained where he had gone each time and for what purpose. When the meeting broke up it was after midnight and the councilmen and certain members of the committee virtually fell onto each others necks and concluded that both sides were correct in a degree.

Capture of a Brace of Suspects.

About 7 o'clock last night Officer Emerick was called by telephone to the corner of Twenty-third and K streets. Two suspicious characters had been prowling about that neighborhood all the afternoon and the people living in the vicinity concluded that they were looking for a chance to burglarize later in the night, and asked to have them locked up.

When the officer told the men they would have to accompany him to the station house they refused to budge, stating that unless he could produce a warrant he could not take them. Emerick is not a man easily bluffed, and, as a sort of an argument that the strangers had better obey his command, he drew his 44-caliber, and, gently placing it in their faces, gave the command to "forward march." The gun caused the men to surrender, and they meekly walked to the jail. The men refused to give their names, but claim to be "all right," and say they live in Omaha. They were locked up.

Magic City Gossip.

Mrs. J. M. Fowler is ill.

Mrs. E. O. Mayfield is confined to her bed by sickness.

C. A. Melcher is moving his drug store into the Singer block.

Mrs. George Brewer and children have returned home from the east.

The sports have already commenced hagging ducks over on the bottoms.

Travel on the Albright line has more than doubled since the electric cars have been put on.

Sheriff Hagen came over from Council Bluffs and visited with the police for a short time. He had some papers to deliver in the Fred Kester case.

Mrs. J. Holm, living at Eighteenth and R streets, invited a number of her friends in yesterday to assist her in celebrating the 36th anniversary of her birth.

Georgie Cunningham, an inmate of Mme. Fisher's resort on Railroad avenue, made an unsuccessful attempt at suicide by the morphine route Sunday morning.

Charles Jamery was arrested in a saloon at Twenty-seventh and L streets for making a disturbance and attempting to whip the bartender, boss and all the customers in the place.

Detective Miles Mitchell returned yesterday from Des Moines and Council Bluffs with his prisoner, Fred Kester, who will be tried today on the charge of defrauding an inn keeper.

All the sidewalks on N street between Twentieth and Twenty-fourth will have to be lowered to the curb. Some of the property owners have already complied with the order of the council. If the others do not do so at once the street commissioner will order the change made and assess the cost up to the property.

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The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.

Has made a round trip rate from Omaha to Chicago of $12.75. Tickets on sale September 10 and 11. Ticket office 1501 Farnam street.

Harvest Excursion.

The next harvest excursion will leave Omaha via the Missouri Pacific railway on September 12 to all points in Kansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Texas Arkansas, S. W. Missouri, Louisiana; also to all points on the lines of the Illinois Central and Mobile and Ohio roads in Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama. On Southern Pacific Ry. Lafayette to Lake Charles, La., inclusive. Tickets limited to 20 days. Stopovers allowed. For further information, rates, etc., call at depot, 15th and Webster streets, or company's offices, N. E. corner 13th and Farnam.

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Change of time, effective Sunday, September 10, the Nebraska state limited going east will arrive from Lincoln at 4:50 p. m. and leave for Chicago at 5 p. m. The World's fair special (No. 6) will arrive from Colorado at 3:55 p. m. and leave for Chicago at 4 p. m. Going west the Colorado limited (No. 5) will arrive from Chicago at 2 p. m. and leave for Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo at 2:05 p. m. All other trains same as previous card. Ticket office, 1602 Farnam street.

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HARRISON CLUB AT BENSON

Republican Rally in the Suburbs Last Saturday Evening.

SPEECHES RECEIVED WITH ENTHUSIASM

Candidates in Profusion Were Present—Mr. Johnston Discusses the Present Crisis and Denounces Democracy as the Cause—Others Speak.

Good attendance and manifestations of interest in the work of the party were the characteristics of the meeting of the Harrison Republican club of Benson Saturday night. Republicans of that suburb turned out in full force, and a number of Omaha partisans, including several candidates for county offices, were there to help out. H. C. Barron presided and W. I. Allen acted as secretary.

The first speaker was John W. Johnston. Mr. Johnston, in a ringing speech, called attention to the existing condition of affairs in the country, and arraigned the democratic party as being responsible for it, accusing it of catering to the interests of producers in Italy and the Bermudas rather than to those of our own people. As to the silver question, Mr. Johnston denied that the Sherman act was responsible in any wise for prevailing conditions, and called attention to the fact that people are accepting silver dollars as readily as any other coin for the payment of debts. He deprecated the fact that some republicans have the failing of seeking innovations in the way of political institutions and stray from the fold to seek strange gods, while a democrat may profess himself a third party man up to election day, when he is sure to be found voting the ticket of "the unwashed." He closed by calling upon the members of the party to stand together this fall, predicting a cyclonic sweep for the republican forces.

Sheriff Bennett disclaimed being an orator, but briefly declared his ambition for a second term, asking consideration for the record he has made.

C. C. Stanley of South Omaha made a short address, asking for the suffrages of the people for the republican incumbents of county offices, who, he said, are entitled for the services they have rendered to renominations. He believed that it was the duty of every man who is a candidate for the nomination for register of deeds, no matter who is nominated, to take off his coat and hustle for the man who is favored by the party.

Jonathan Edwards, John W. Westberg and County Superintendent G. W. Hill followed with short speeches, the latter deploring the fact that the office of superintendent of schools is not given the consideration that its importance merits. G. W. Rathburn and M. G. MacLeod also spoke. Mr. MacLeod spoke hopefully of the prospects for the party in national matters hereafter, and predicted that the ticket would carry Douglas county with ease this fall. He closed by calling attention to the unsuitable quarters occupied by the superintendent of schools.

Fealty to Principle.

The philosopher of "Dox Box," and John L. Pierson followed, Mr. Pierson making a strong appeal to the members of the party to stand by its principles and win in the coming elections. "Doc" sang a topical song, composed by himself for the occasion, entitled, "A Great Many Holes in the Skimmer," which elicited much applause.

Judge Miller thought the democratic party had found the solution of the smoke nuisance by stopping the smoke of nearly every factory in the land. He spoke strongly of the "uncalled-for stand taken by a sheet published near the morgue, towards the present county officials."

Concerning the nominations made by the bar convention for the district bench, he said that in the opinion of democrats no one is nonpartisan unless he is a democrat, and that they have found some republicans and other people to agree with them. "Will the republicans of this district be bound by the action of less than a third of the bar of the district?" asked Mr. Miller. He closed his address with a few eulogistic remarks concerning Hon. John M. Thurston and Judge Walton, and asked the party to pull together.

Other speakers were: J. M. Counsman, E. D. Pratt, Councilman McLearie and County Commissioner Williams. No resolutions were adopted, except the generally understood one that the club will be found right in line this fall. Another meeting will be held in the near future, the date of which is not yet decided.

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Grand Opening.

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CHAS. KENNEDY,
G. N. W. P. A

Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, Sept. 8 to 15.

The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway will sell tickets to Lincoln at one fare for the round trip from all stations in Nebraska; also from Council Bluffs, good returning until Sept. 18. In addition to the regular train service the "Rock Island" will run a special fair train on the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th, leaving Council Bluffs at 7:40 a. m. and Omaha union depot 8:00 a. m. Returning, leaves Lincoln 6:30 p. m. "The Nebraska state limited" leaves Council Bluffs daily at 8:35 a. m., Omaha 9:10 a. m., running through to Lincoln without making a stop. Ticket offices 1602 Farnam and union depot.

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Nebraska Day at the Fair.

On September 10 and 11 the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway will sell round trip tickets to Chicago at one fare for the round trip. You can take the Nebraska state limited at 4 p. m. from union depot, arrive at Englewood at 7:37 a. m., take electric line to the grounds and be on the inside at 8 a. m.; or you can take the World's fair special at 5 p. m., arrive at Englewood at 8:37 and be in the fair grounds at 9 a. m. You can't make this time via any other line. By taking this line you will save time, money and the annoyance of baggage transfers through the city of Chicago. Dining cars on all through trains. Luxurious coaches, free chair cars. Pullman sleeping cars constitute the equipment of all World's fair trains via the "Great Rock Island Route." For rates, sleeping car reservations, maps of the fair grounds showing connection at Englewood and any other information call at ticket office, 1602 Farnam street.

CHAS. KENNEDY,
G. N. W. P. A.

Are You Going Down to the Opening?

Tell all your friends to take the Texas special on the Rock Island from union depot at 6 a. m. and land the same evening right in the heart of the Cherokee Strip. Remember you can leave in the morning at 6 and be down there at 8:40 p. m. same day, 12 hours quicker than via any other line. Low rates for the round trip. Maps of the Strip, circulars giving full and reliable information regarding rules for settlement, can be had by applying at the Rock Island office, 1602 Farnam street.

CHAS. KENNEDY, G. N. W. P. A.

Destroyed His Home.

Fire totally destroyed the frame cottage of Lee Hennever at 2823 Parker street at an early hour yesterday morning. Loss, $750.

An alarm called the fire department to Twenty-sixth and Blondo streets. It was a blaze in a barn and the damage was slight.

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