

PEOPLE CONTINUE PROTEST

Preponderance of Public Sentiment is Against the Taxshirkers. REAL ESTATE FEELS AN EXTRA BURDEN. General Opinion that County Board Could Have Come Much Nearer to the Standard of Equity—What the People Say.

The work of the county commissioners as a board of equalization remains the chief topic of discussion among citizens. In all quarters the neglect of the commissioners to make a material increase in the assessments of the corporations is being severely criticised, although a few citizens seek to justify the action of the officials by pointing to the inherent faults in the taxation system of the state.

Although it is generally conceded that an equitable assessment is impossible under the system in vogue, most of the taxpayers insist that the county board could have come nearer to a standard of equity had it made an endeavor to do so.

The following statements were made to The Bee yesterday: M. J. Kennard—You won't find any dissenting opinions on the subject of the county assessment. We expected from what the commissioners said that the corporations were to bear their share of the burden. The people are undoubtedly disappointed.

Intolerable Outrage. Dr. S. K. Spalding—When the small owners are taxed on 20 per cent of their holdings and the corporations on 2 per cent it is simply a case of the poor man paying the rich man's debts. It is not only an injustice, but an intolerable outrage.

Boecker Higby—I read the account of what the commissioners promised to do and later I heard of what the commissioners did. It set me to wondering where the commissioners are really at.

Dr. A. H. Hippie—I am in favor of equal taxation and of placing corporations on the same footing as private individuals. I fully realize that as a general thing corporations do not pay their just share of taxes.

W. A. Redick—The action of the county commissioners in the matter of the South Omaha corporations was a distinct backslide from the stand taken by them in publishing interviews in the past.

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John W. Parrish—My own home is assessed at more than 50 per cent of its actual value and there are thousands of others in the same boat with me. This extremely heavy tax on individual property owners could be avoided if the officials would add several million dollars to the total assessed valuation. All that is necessary to increase the total is for the Board of Equalization to raise the corporation assessments to a proper figure, which they have failed to do.

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Mr. Burgess is prepared to give a partial list of dramatic visitations for next season. The bill is better than any ever announced for Omaha before.

Mr. Burgess will leave for New York within a few days to complete the bookings and other good names will be added to the list.

Theaters in San Francisco. During his visit in San Francisco Mr. Burgess made the rounds of the theaters and was most favorably impressed.

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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Although Somewhat Incomplete the Street Fair Opens. RAIN SETS BACK CARPENTER WORK. Finishing Touches Will Soon Be Put on and Then the Fair Will Run Full Force—Fourth of July Program.

While still incomplete the street fair opened yesterday and the show will continue until Saturday night, July 13.

Members of the board of control are now installed in offices at 418 North Twenty-fourth street, on the ground floor, where the business of the association is being transacted.

When the show opened yesterday Bond's band, headed by Charlie Scarr, paraded the principal downtown streets.

Visitors to the number of several hundred were on hand to view the sights and some of the sidewalks were a good business.

The South Omaha Hospital association and a number of churches will be represented in either building or in special refreshments will be served.

On account of the activity in building and decorating booths there was no special attempt made to follow out the program as already outlined for the first day.

With the purchase of additional lots on the north of the original site secured for a high school building the district is now in possession of land having a frontage on Twenty-third street of 360 feet.

The proposed building will be fronted on Twenty-third street, with wings extending west on J and K streets.

As contractors have asked for further time bids for the building will not be opened until July 15.

City Clerk Shrigley has issued the following statement, showing the condition of the city's finances on July 1:

Amount of 1900 levy, \$110,484; amount drawn to July 1, \$104,467; balance on hand, \$6,017.

It is understood by managers of the Street Fair that the service on the Omaha line will be first-class during the fair.

The Board of Review has completed its work and Tax Commissioner Fitzgerald has submitted his final report.

These teachers have been placed on the assigned list by the Board of Education: Elsie Montgomery, Genevieve Maddox, E. Hire and Miss Laverty.

There is South Omaha day at the fair. There will be no market at the stock yards.

A commission man who has just returned from a tour of the state says that dogs and

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Mayor Vetoes an Ordinance Calling for Change of Gas Lights. EXECUTIVE CRITICISES THE COUNCIL. Cannot Understand Why the Members Persist in Promoting Improvements for Which There is No Available Money.

At last night's meeting of the city council Mayor Moore again reproved the council for shoddy work.

I do not understand why the members of your honorable body persist in ordering gas lamps moved and established when you all know the condition of the lighting fund.

A protest concerning the specifications for paving was presented to the council by C. D. Woodworth.

The city poundmaster reported that 147 dogs were impounded during June.

Science has found that rheumatism is caused by uric acid in the blood. This poison should be excreted by the kidneys.

B. Hermann of Lincoln is at the Millard. Glad Johnson, a stockman of Odebolt, Ia., has arrived to spend the Fourth in Omaha.

John H. Hays and Charles R. Hays of Norfolk, W. A. Meserve of Creighton, A. M. Allen of Guthrie, and D. M. Hoffman of Gordon are registered at the Iler Grand.

Frank Gillett was arrested last night by Detectives Drummy and Mitchell.

Charles Stevens, a former city dog catcher, of 224 Pierce street, complained to the police that Miss Lyle Burns of Pueblo, who has been guest of Mrs. Burns, had returned to Colorado.

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Miss Nell Spruce, clerk in the office of the secretary of the Board of Education, left Tuesday for Kallispell, Mont., where she will visit with relatives for several weeks.

The attempt of the health department to restrict Fourth of July tannery, or lock-law, by securing the confiscation and destruction of the toy pistols was called, it remains for the police to carry out to the letter the order for the arrest of anyone firing the murderous little machine.

The casualty statistics in Chicago as a result of last year's Fourth of July celebration further emphasize the importance of this appeal to mothers and fathers.

In this, again, the danger of the toy pistol is emphasized by these comparisons: Firecrackers and dynamite, 250; gunpowder, 43; Runaways, 27; Toy pistols, 64; Skyrockets, 121.

Dates Sale: July 1 to 5, inclusive. Rates: To Hot Springs from Sioux City and Missouri Valley, Ia., and Omaha, Neb., \$15.00 for the round trip.

General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

MUNICIPAL LEAGUE MEETS

Nominating Committee Submits Recommendations for Executive Members. Twenty-two members of Omaha's newest municipal league met at the Commercial club last night and spent some time transacting routine business.

The following by-law was adopted: "Any officer of this league or member of its executive committee who accepts a municipal nomination or membership on a campaign committee thereby resigns his particular office in this league."

The meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the executive committee.

Chicago Police Determined to Stay the Sale of the Deadly Plaything. "Tell every man on heat that he must visit all places in his territory where fireworks are sold and put an immediate stop to the sale of the toy pistols, under pain of arrest and thorough prosecution."

Officers were notified last night by the above order to visit every store and stand where fireworks are being offered for sale.

Chief of Police O'Neill this took the Fourth of July toy pistol and its vendors under his personal supervision last night and every shopkeeper will be summarily dealt with who continues to defy the mayor's proclamation.

Chief O'Neill last night while his peremptory notice was being sent over the police wires to every corner of the city.

Mayor Harrison said yesterday that he had done all he could to protect the children and the city from this form of mischief.

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