

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Proceedings of the City Council at its Regular Meeting Last Night.

The Mayor Approves Several Ordinances and Makes a Few Appointments—Petitions, Resolutions, New Ordinances, Etc.

It was fifteen minutes after time when President Beckel called the council to order in regular weekly session last night. All of the members answered to their names. The president reported that he had examined the journal of May 11 and found it correct. An account of a bid odd, Clerk S. Outhard was relieved from duty for the evening and Assistant City Clerk Woods acted in his stead.

Several communications from His Honor Mayor Boyd were presented and read. Among them were his approval of the following ordinances:
Ordering that part of Farnam street in district 36, from Fifteenth to Twentieth streets, be widened to thirty feet.

Designating certain rooms and cells in the Douglas county jail and old court house as the places of confinement for city prisoners.

Ordering the paving of streets in districts 37, 38 and 45.

Ordering the curbing of Sixteenth street in districts 37; also Tenth street in district 44.

Changing the grade of Jones street between Eleventh and Tenth street.

Declaring the necessity of appropriating certain private property and lands for the use of the city in widening Twenty-eighth street from Dodge to Farnam. Also for opening and extending Georgia avenue.

Establishing the curb and sidewalk lines and width of sidewalks on California street in Sweeney's addition.

An ordinance ordering the paving of Tenth street in district 44, was returned with the mayor's veto, accompanying the veto Mr. Boyd informed the council that the expenditure for such work would reach \$46,000. There still remains due, he says, on last year's paving contracts, about \$6,000, leaving not to exceed \$44,000 at the city's disposal. An estimate made by the auditor shows that the total amount of overlap is \$111,904.32. From this, continues the mayor in his communication, it will be seen that the proceeds of the \$100,000 funding bonds will not be sufficient to pay the overlap. Consequently, the amount due on last year's paving contracts will have to be paid out of the \$50,000 paving bonds voted in November last. The veto was sustained.

The mayor called attention to section 61, laws governing cities of the first class, that no liability shall be incurred, debt created or contract involving expenditures of money except on the vote of a majority of the city council.

By J. S. Hascall, T. A. O'neil and W. J. Kennedy were reappointed and confirmed to assess property for damages for changing the grade on Harney between Fifteenth and Twenty-fifth streets.

John Baumer, H. P. Deuel and W. W. Kennard were appointed to assess property damaged by opening and extending Georgia avenue. The appointment was confirmed.

O. F. Davis, Henry Pandt and W. V. Morse were appointed in accordance with requests of ordinance 876. Confirmed. The name of Patrick Murphy was sent in for confirmation as policeman, vice Rowland Firch resigned. Referred to committee on police.

Patrick H. Quinn was appointed and confirmed a special policeman to do duty at the High school building and grounds.

Communications. The following communications were received, and referred to their proper committees:

From W. F. Clark and Svan Johnson, asking to have names withdrawn from the petition for a grade on Douglas street from Twentieth to Jefferson streets.

D. I. Hayden petitions the council to have his taxes reduced.

A number of residents on Pierce street pray for a fire hydrant on the corner of Twenty-eighth and Farnam streets, was granted.

The bid of John W. Wakefield to furnish lumber for the city's use, was accepted.

P. H. Leary sent in a proposition to do certain work at Hanson park.

New Ordinances. The following new ordinances were presented:

Declaring the necessity of appropriating certain property and lands for the use of the city, in opening an alley in district 2, between Armstrong's addition. Passed.

Granting permission and authority to the Union Pacific railway company to use the alley between Jones and Leavenworth streets.

Concerning additions within the corporation limits of the city of Omaha, or adjoining and contiguous to the same, and penalties for the violation of any provisions.

This ordinance makes it obligatory upon the property owners in additions to have all their street grades properly established before they can be taken into the city.

The ordinance was passed.

Establishing grade on a certain portion of Douglas street.

Just before adjourning the mayor sent in another communication, informing the council that the old court house building is being torn down, making it therefore absolutely necessary to secure new quarters for a city jail at once. The council will now have seventy-six prisoners in it and no more will be received there unless sent upon criminal charges.

Mr. Behm also offered an extra resolution making it necessary for all street paving work to be supplied with a sand base.

Mr. Faray also offered an extra resolution instructing the city attorney to render unto the council at the earliest possible moment a legal opinion as to the proper manner in which the council should proceed relative to making a defense in cases where suits have been brought for damages on account of grading.

THE COURTS.

A \$17,000 Claim Satisfied in the United States Circuit Tribunal.

The case of Cordelia O. Herrington vs. John B. Finley, John Brown, Joseph F. Black, W. M. Black, John M. Veatch, M. B. Moore and Mrs. E. E. Linton, which has been pending in the United States circuit court here for a long time, was finally terminated yesterday and settled. It seems that originally the plaintiff brought suit to have a cloud removed from the title to 1,200 acres of land down in Ohio county. Defendant Veatch came in with a mortgage claim of \$10,000 and Mrs. E. E. Linton also had much to say in the body and caption of a cross bill for \$17,000, due her as taxes. Both these claims, of course, held good, and to satisfy them the land had to be sold. The sale came off April 30, and the property was bid in by Veatch, at \$10,000. Yesterday Judge Dundy entered a decree ordering him to pay the \$17,000 claim of Mrs. Linton. A check for the amount was made out.

Judge McCullough gave his attention yesterday to hearing the case of Lawrence, assignee for the Western Steam Heating company, vs. O. C. Campbell, a suit for \$200. Judgment was rendered for defendant, plaintiff to pay costs.

IRVINGTON NOTES.

IRVINGTON, Neb., May 26, Correspondence of The Bee.

There was a very elegant wedding party on the 24th instant at the residence of Mr. Bleick's, the pastor of the congregational church officiating. The contracting parties were Mr. Morris F. Cronmeyer and Miss Emma D. Bleick. The Hon. J. H. Winspear and wife, from the city, who are relatives of the groom, were, with others, of the party. Judging from the numerous and valuable presents to both parties, one might naturally conclude that about the best thing one can do nowadays is to get married. One of the presents to the bride was a beautiful gold watch from the father-in-law, Mr. Cronmeyer. The two families are among the old and solid residents of the county.

Mr. Gardneknicht has just completed his work as precinct assessor. He has the appointment also of census taker and will soon travel over the same ground again.

BUCKEYE.

PERSONAL.

T. M. Marquette, of Lincoln, is at the Millard.

E. E. Leonard and wife, David City, are at the Millard.

Hon. H. A. Babcock, state auditor, is in the city at the Millard.

P. C. Himebaugh, with his wife and daughter, are in Chicago.

C. L. Burke, Grand Island, and B. H. Goulding, Lincoln, are at the Arcade.

H. B. Robinson, P. B. Purcell and J. P. Yost, of North Bend, are at the Paxton.

G. W. Post, revenue collector for this district, came in from York yesterday, and is at the Millard.

E. E. Whitmore, of the opera house, left yesterday for Lincoln, where he will make a visit of several days.

Mr. Nathan Moriam, of the firm of Himebaugh, left Omaha, Monday, for a three months' tour in Europe.

Senator Manderson went to Chicago yesterday, where he is to meet Mrs. Manderson, and will return in about ten days.

Rev. T. C. Hall left Monday for Cincinnati, to attend the Presbyterian conference. He will there meet his wife and return with her to this city.

The news of the death of little Grace, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cheesbrough, of St. Louis, will be received with deep regret by the friends of the family in this city.

S. Hartman, I. Duttie, Grand Island; E. A. Pease and wife, Rawlins, Wyo.; A. S. Churchill, Atlantic; R. L. Maxwell, Clark; A. Coleman, Stromsburg; H. W. Robison, C. Bacon, H. Bookkeeper, Chicago; W. Dyer, Macedonia, Ia.; D. M. Strong, North Bend; H. H. Morton, Blenheim; J. Veeland, Johnson, Wm. Ryder and wife, Danbar; D. H. Wheeler, Flatmouth; Jas. Dameron, Hastings, are at the Grand Island.

W. M. Cummings, Lincoln; Gus Gustaf, Hastings; Sol. S. Gaylord, Columbus; William A. Nead, Jackson; Mrs. H. Dickson, Hastings; H. J. Dickson, C. E. Dickson, Grand Island; Miss Jennie Adams, Grand Island; R. M. Geshorn, Wayne; J. C. Bailey, Herman; J. C. Hitchcock, Hastings; John Moran, Lincoln; George J. Squires, Grand Island; G. W. Brown, W. E. Smith, St. Paul, Neb.; L. H. Stanley, Chicago; Dr. A. B. Brackett and wife, Goldfield, Ia.; L. B. Westbrook and wife, Newton, Ia.; W. G. Leddingwell, Kansas City, Mo.; O. B. Dutton, Missouri Valley; M. D. Royer, Council Bluffs; C. Shanklin, Chicago; J. W. Moore, Clay Vaarkirk, Youngstown, Ill.; F. P. Hopp, Belle Plaine, Ia.; J. R. Bingham, New York, are at the Metropolitan.

A Sad Death.

Mrs. Emma A. Hull, wife of Frank Hull, who is chief clerk at the Paxton hotel, died at half past 1 o'clock last night, after an illness of about eight days duration. It seems that the immediate cause of death was blood poisoning, originating from information of the bowels.

It is only about six months ago that she and Mr. Hull were married, and her death at this time, is a sad blow to him. He has the deepest sympathy of a large number of friends.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been completed.

—George Duncan was fined \$5 in the police court yesterday afternoon for disturbing the peace.

—One Ed. Summers, who got to talking drunken, outlandish disturbances on Tenth street yesterday, was marched up to police court and fined \$5.

—Mr. William Lewis, the old man of South Omaha who strayed away from home Monday, was found yesterday and returned.

—It will be noticed in the council proceedings that Mr. Herman Kountz has made a proposition to lease the city grounds for a market house. Mr. Kountz's property which he desires should be utilized in this manner is the old U. P. base ball grounds on St. Mary's avenue. The actual site covers an area of 175 by 285 feet.

A Suicide Identified.

NEW YORK, May 26.—A body of a young woman who shot herself at the Grand Union hotel was identified last night by Gideon A. Bedient, a farmer of Hornay, Steuben county, N. Y., as that of his daughter 17-year-old.

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