

COMMITTEE ANSWER HOWELL

Signed Statement Given Out on the Auditorium Bond Election.

CALL IT PERSONAL FIGHT

Citizens Assert that F. A. Nash Owns Less Than Three Per Cent of the Stock of the Auditorium Company.

Scathing denunciation of R. Beecher Howell, who has taken upon himself the burden of fighting the proposed \$250,000 auditorium bond issue which will be voted on by the people Tuesday, was uttered by members of the Citizens' Auditorium committee, which issued a statement charging the Water board boss with allowing personal differences to influence his judgment.

Following Howell's attack on F. A. Nash, president of the Auditorium company, the committee of citizens prepared a statement showing that Nash owned less than 3 per cent of the stock and that he would not be benefited to any extent by the sale of the Auditorium to the city.

Following is the statement issued by the committee:

To the public: Our attention has been directed to a political advertising card, sent out by R. Beecher Howell, in which he takes it upon himself to advise the voters of Omaha as to how they should vote on the Auditorium bond issue next Tuesday.

Mr. Howell makes statements, based upon his opinions, which are the result of a clearly shown in the course of his personal differences with the president of the Auditorium company. We regret that Mr. Howell would permit his personal differences with the president of the company and his personal ambitions to influence him to issue a public enterprise of such importance to all the people of Omaha.

It is our opinion that the purchase of the Auditorium under the proposed favorable conditions, is of sufficient importance to be considered upon its merits. It concerns the future of Omaha and its citizens should not be sacrificed to further the personal ambitions of any one.

This opinion is shared by the business, political and civic organizations practically without exception. It is the opinion of the committee, competent to judge, that the \$250,000, which will be available if the bonds carry, will be ample to properly finish and equip the Auditorium.

An Auditorium is not considered by public spirited and progressive citizens as an investment proposition. It is regarded as a necessary part of the equipment of a progressive city, the same as its public parks, libraries, public schools and other civic institutions.

No individual or corporation controls enough of the stock to dictate its management—the president of the company controls less than 3 per cent of the stock. The stock is owned by more than 2,000 shareholders, of whom will receive his pro rata amount of the proceeds after all debts are paid.

This committee, appointed at the citizens' meeting February 12, has no motive other than the welfare of the people of Omaha, when it urges you to go to the polls next Tuesday, March 10, and vote "Yes" for the Auditorium bonds.

CITIZENS AUDITORIUM COMMITTEE, T. G. NORTHALL, CHARLES A. GOSS, WALTER J. PETER, W. H. MATTEROTH, FRANK A. KENNEDY, C. GEORGE, JOHN ROEBUCKY.

WOMAN RESCUED FROM SUFFOCATION BY SON

Mrs. Arthur Carter, 309 Davenport street, who inhaled illuminating gas escaping from a faulty meter connection more than a week ago, is reported as still in a serious condition at her home.

According to Carroll H. Wright, her attorney, the entire house, including the basement in which a fire was burning in the furnace, was filled with gas and Mrs. Carter was aroused from a semi-conscious condition by her 8-year-old son.

REAL ESTATE LOANS.

FARM and city loans made promptly. Wm. McCormick, 1320 Broadway, 3rd fl. CITY Property. Large loans a specialty. W. H. Thomas, 275 State Bank Bldg.

WANTED—City loans and warrants. W. Farnam Smith & Co., 1333 Farnam St. CITY and farm loans, 5 1/2% to 7% J. H. Dumont & Co., 1065 Park Ave.

HARRISON & MORTON, 218 Om. Nat. OMAHA homes, East Nebraska farms. O'NEAL REAL ESTATE CO., 1016 OMAHA NATIONAL, Douglas 2712.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

LIST your house with Osborne Realty Co. Over 100 sales in 1913. Call D. 1474. GOOD LAND for your business, business, Exch., 200 Om. Nat. Bldg. 1623.

GOVERNMENT approved investment securities or land for auto, other property or land. Doug. 7022.

I WILL sell or trade for a good, clear lot worth \$500 equity in a five-room bungalow; furnace, electric, bath, city water; near Mill park on car line and within walking distance of proposed \$100,000 telephone exchange. Rented now. Investments more than 7 per cent on a \$4,000 investment. Easy terms on balance. Inquire Johnson, 1716 Nicholas.

WANTED—TO BORROW.

PRIVATE money, \$500 and up, at 10 per cent and more. First mortgage on homes 6 per cent and above. Building profits 4 to 8 per cent more. Write me at once and will explain fully to anyone's satisfaction just how I can do it. Good references and a responsible address. O. B. care Bee.

WANTED—TO BUY.

Highest prices paid for furniture. D. 3711. WANTED—600 CARS SCRAP IRON AND BROS. HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR RUBBER AND METAL.

CASH paid promptly upon receipt. WRITE for price and shipping tags. SONKEN GALAMBIA IRON & METAL COMPANY. (Largest dealers west of the Mississippi.) Kansas City, Kan.

LIVE STOCK MARKET ON WEST

SHIP live stock to South Omaha. Save mileage and shrinkage. Your consignments receive prompt and careful attention.

MARTIN BROS. & CO. Exchange Bldg.

Persistent advertising is the sure road to business success.

LEGAL NOTICES.

Election Notice. January 23d, 1914.

THE MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Missouri Pacific Railway Company will be held at the general office of the company, in the city of St. Louis, Missouri, on Tuesday, March 10, 1914, at 2 o'clock a. m. for the election of thirteen directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business that may come before said meeting. The annual meeting of the directors will be held at the same office on the same day at 12 o'clock, noon. The transfer books will be closed on Monday, February 23, 1914, at 3 o'clock p. m. and will be reopened on Wednesday, March 11, 1914, at 10 o'clock a. m. The Missouri Pacific Railway Company. By B. F. BUSH, President. A. H. CALLEY, Secretary.

Scenes of Demonstration by Unemployed in New York City



Tannenbaum's Unemployed Army in St. Alphonsus Catholic Church—New York

SEES SIGNS OF PROSPERITY

Dr. Schwegel, Austria-Hungary Consul on Situation.

IS IMPRESSED WITH OMAHA

Is Entertained Here and Spends Day Calling on Friends and in Looking Over the City.

"Omaha impresses me as a great and prosperous city," said Dr. I. Schwegel, consul of Austria-Hungary to the Rocky mountain states, after a brief sojourn here. He spent the day visiting points of interest and calling on friends before leaving for Washington and the east.

"Unusual and unexpected signs of prosperity are everywhere in evidence here," he continued. "This is the first time I have ever been in Omaha, and my impressions of the city exceed what I had anticipated, although I have always heard favorable reports."

While eating breakfast at the Henshaw he was interested in discussing the strike situation among the Colorado coal miners, as his headquarters is at Denver and fully half of the miners are Slavonians from the southern part of Austria-Hungary and of the same nationality as Dr. Schwegel.

Dr. Schwegel was in conference early in the week with Governor Ammons of Colorado and members of the investigating committee of the house of representatives. He is now going east in connection with business of his consulate, and will spend some time in Washington and New York.

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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Father Joannitis Wages Warfare Against Saloons Near Church.

HAS WELL SIGNED PETITION

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Appears to Take Notice and Promises Some Relief for Situation.

Rev. George Joannitis, pastor of St. Anthony's Catholic church in South Omaha, has presented the South Omaha Fire and Police board with a petition said to be signed by 40 women who want the number of saloons in the vicinity of Thirtieth and R streets reduced from twenty-five to five. It is asserted by Father Joannitis that the people in his section of the city are becoming demoralized by the preponderance of third parlors in the vicinity of his church. Father Joannitis asserts there are several schools, two churches, a cemetery and about twenty-five saloons. He says he has used every means of obtaining the assistance of the police.

At a meeting of the Fire and Police board Friday Father Joannitis presented his arguments with such effect that the mayor and Commissioner Devine sat up and took more than customary notice. The mayor asserted that he had made a tour of the suspected territory at night and was unable to discover any violations of the liquor laws. The mayor said he had ordered the police to enforce the liquor laws, but it is said that some of the police at least have maintained their inability to comprehend the alleged contradictory orders of different members of the board.

After a hot session the board, or such of it as was sitting Friday, assured Rev. Father Joannitis that the petition was reasonable and that the matter of reducing the number of saloons would be taken up. In one form or another the matter of reducing the number of saloons comes up every year shortly before the time when licenses are granted. Father Joannitis has been making a stubborn fight to protect the foreign colony under his care from the increasing control and encroachments of booze peddlers.

Miss Mas and Money. Mr. and Mrs. James Hoel of Benson are without a hired man and a team he was sent to purchase Friday at the Union stock yards. With the hired man whose name is said to be Ray Wilson, has disappeared \$25, the property of the Hoels, it is claimed.

According to the Hoels, Wilson was sent last week Friday to buy new tires for horses at the Union stock yards. He was a trusted man and the price of the team was given him as he left Benson. After waiting all Friday and Saturday the Hoels finally reported the missing man to the police. It is feared that Wilson may have met with foul play or taken French leave with the coin.

St. Martin's Women's Society Will Meet

at the parish house, 214 J street, Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Nell Harold is recovering from a serious illness at her home, 921 North Twenty-second street.

Office space for rent in Bee office, 218 N street. Terms reasonable. Well known location. Tel. South 27.

Miss Grace Yates entertained at a high five party Saturday evening. Three tables were arranged for the players.

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South Omaha High School, has accepted a position with Henry Stange at the latter's pharmacy, Twenty-fourth and I streets. McElroy has just graduated from the Pharmacy department at Creighton university and passed the examination of the State Board of Pharmacists with flying colors. It is understood he resides with his parents at Twenty-third and B streets.

TWO HIGHWAYMEN ROB WOMAN OF A HANDBAG

Two highwaymen stopped Mrs. M. Broach, 340 Jones street, last night at Thirty-fourth and Leavenworth streets and while one held her covered with a revolver and threatened to shoot if she screamed the other took over her handbag, which contained \$3.35 and a bundle of keys.

WILL TALK ON HOW TO SHOO THE WOLF AWAY

Persons interested in how to prevent themselves from becoming poverty-stricken should attend a meeting to be

MRS. SMITH TO BE HOSTESS FOR BURGESS-NASH COMPANY

Mrs. Mabel Gray Smith, 304 Farnam street, has become affiliated with the Burgess-Nash company, and will act as hostess to all women who patronize the firm. Mrs. Smith has lived the greater part of her life in Omaha, attending Sacred Heart convent, and later graduating from the Catholic school at Lake Forest, Ill. She will make it her business to see that all women receive prompt and courteous treatment while in the store and will extend all her efforts toward making them comfortable. She will devote most of her attention to the second floor where the women's suits and apparel are displayed because the percentage of women is larger on that floor than on the others.

The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company

Report of the Investigation of the Rock Island Lines by the present management.

New York, March 6th, 1914. MR. J. N. WALLACE, Chairman, Bondholders' Committee, New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir: Replying to your favor of February twenty-sixth, which has been carefully noted:

On October 29th, 1913, the controlling interests in the El Paso & Southwestern Company, having previously acquired a large interest in the Rock Island Company, entered upon the management of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company and placed me in charge of its operations.

During the past four months the new management has made a careful investigation of the physical and financial conditions of the property and has reached the following conclusions, the figures being approximate:

PRESENT CASH NEEDS

FIRST: A very large sum of money—estimated to be in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000—will be required by July 1st next, to meet bonds and car trusts maturing, floating indebtedness, including \$1,500,000 due to the Railroad Company, and interest payments; to provide for improvements, maintenance of equipment and betterments, and to establish a normal working fund for the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company, the operating company. It is estimated that cash on hand and net earnings for the period will aggregate \$8,000,000, and the management is now applying for permission to make a short term loan for \$7,500,000 against securities in the Company's treasury. It is hoped and believed that such a loan can be secured, but there will then remain \$4,500,000 to be provided between now and July 1st, 1914.

No provision is made for the payment of the dividend due May 1st, 1914, on the stock of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company held as collateral for the 4% bonds of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad Company, due 2002, and in the judgment of the management this dividend should not be paid. A statement of these cash requirements furnished by the Comptroller, as of February 1st, 1914, is enclosed.

FUTURE REQUIREMENTS

SECOND: In order that the Railway Company may be operated to the best advantage and produce the best results, an expenditure of about \$25,000,000 will be required for betterments and improvements during the next five years. This sum should put the road in better shape to compete successfully with its neighbors.

The physical condition of the road is not by any means what it should be to handle the business which is likely to be offered when the general business of the country revives, as we hope and believe it will in the not distant future.

In our judgment, however, the entire sum need not be spent immediately, but should be spread in equal installments over a period of five years. If further sums can be provided for radical revisions of grade and alignment, and for additional equipment, a large amount of capital could be judiciously expended, and we are confident that results could be produced which would inure greatly to the benefit of the stockholders.

The total expected requirements for five years are: Present needs \$12,000,000 Betterments 25,000,000 Maturing Car Trusts 12,000,000

FINANCE

THIRD: Against these requirements, the Company now has treasury bonds of \$15,000,000, and will receive in five years at the rate of \$3,500,000 a year, \$17,500,000 of 4% Refunding Mortgage Bonds.

These securities should have a good market if the credit of the Company can be re-established. The Railway Company holds \$7,500,000 debenture bonds of the Railroad Company, due September 1st, 1917. This item is of uncertain value.

During the past twelve years, no money has been secured by sales of stock. Bonds in the sum of \$118,000,000 have been issued since 1904, an increase per mile of bonded debt of \$18,000, or from \$23,000 to \$36,000 a mile.

The total bonds for which the Illinois, or old company, is responsible is \$266,043,600. Its stock is \$75,000,000. \$44,123,712 worth of equipment has been purchased since 1905, and there are outstanding car trusts of \$21,245,000. There is no issue of stock of any of the companies which can be sold at or near its par value.

The Refunding Mortgage prohibits further junior mortgage liens. The Company is, therefore, limited, in borrowing, to the use of bonds now in the treasury, which aggregates about \$15,000,000 par value, the addition of Refunding Mortgage Bonds of \$3,500,000, till 1919, or the sale of debentures.

The sale of the treasury bonds, if a fair price can be obtained, which now seems improbable, will meet claims to July 1st, 1914, but would leave the company without means for further finance after that time. Were it possible to issue further bonds upon satisfactory terms, it would, in our opinion, be inadvisable, as we think the limit of safety for bond issues has already been reached until the stock investment in the property is increased. It is, therefore, our judgment that a stock reorganization is imperative and is the only method by which the desired end can be attained.

FOURTH: Unless some plan can be devised which has a good prospect of accomplishing these results, and which is fair to all classes of security holders, including the 4% bonds represented by your Committee, the management that I represent will feel it inadvisable to continue in charge of the property.

FIFTH: If the expenditures, indicated above are made and a fair plan of reorganization can be devised which will provide the necessary funds as needed, we have great confidence that the property will produce satisfactory results, and that in time substantial dividends can be resumed on a proper stock capital, and the interests of all be fully secured.

Yours truly, T. M. SCHUMACHER, Chairman Board of Directors.

THE CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND & PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY