Council Bluffs

BUSINESS MEN GET TOGETHER

Propose to Combat the Plans of the Committee of Fifteen.

DECIDE UPON PLAN OF WORK

Propose to Protect Business Interests of the City and Look After the Consent Petition Move.

The appointment of a committee of fifteen, headed by Robert B. Wallace, the newly elected president of the Commercial club, to manage the attack that is to be made upon the saloon consent petition when it is filed, and the promise that unfair means is to be used, led to the calling of a meeting yesterday forenoon to form an organization to protect the business interests of the city and the people who have signed the petition.

General Grenville M. Dodge, who was chiefly instrumental in calling the meeting, was elected chairman. The alleged threats made by the committee of fifteen to intimidate signers or frighten them into withdrawing their names was discussed.

It was said that two employers of labor had announced that any of their employes who sign the petition will be immediately discharged if they refuse to withdraw their names. These instances will be investigated and if found true the case will probably go to the grand jury.

At the close of the meeting this statement was made to the public:

A meeting of Council Bluffs citizens was held in the office of General G. M. Dodge for the purpose of perfecting an organization to protect the business interests of the city and to see that no unfair advantage was taken of, or threats made to, the signers of the consent petition now being circulated in the city.

This action was deemed advisable on account of the recent publication in the papers of the names of a committee appointed to fight the petition and the declaration of intentions as published. General Dodge as chairman of the meeting was instructed to appoint a committee of fifteen and selected the following:

E. A. Wickham	William Coppock
H. W. Binder	Edward W. Hart
H. A. Quinn	William Moore
August Beresheim	William Arnd
J. J. Spindler	J. J. Hughes
C. E. Price	F. R. Davis
B. M. Sargent	G. M. Dodge
E. H. Merriam	

Rev. Mr. Lindemeyer Replies to Criticism

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., April 17.—To the Editor of The Bee: Permit me to contrast The Bee with the Nonpareil in its treatment of me. The Bee at once gave me space for defense. While the Nonpareil did not absolutely refuse, its action and the appendix to my article led me to infer that it would not have published my article if it had not appeared in The Bee. And now I ask, why this appendix? I expected a foeman worthy of my steel, a minister appointed by the association, to reply to me and either say: "Here is the proof that prohibition is commanded in the scriptures," from which it follows that it is unmoral and unrighteous to sign the petition; or to be honest enough to say: "We cannot prove it. We claimed entirely too much. We are willing to concede that we made a great mistake in attacking the minister who signed."

Since Mr. Orchard takes it upon himself to becloud the issue and try to weaken the force of my letter, let me add a few words of comment:

1. I did not seek to justify my signing, since I consider it no one's business whether I signed or not. I defended myself against an unwarranted attack.

2. I did not defend my religious beliefs, but I challenged the ministers to prove prohibition from the Bible and stated my willingness to prove that prohibition is condemned, etc.

3. In my entire article I drew only one conclusion and that was, that the fellow who called me up by phone was a rabid prohibitionist.

4. Mr. Orchard has another guess. The saloon keeper who left his business was not being ruined, nor his family, nor anyone else. There were other reasons.

5. Not everything is science "which is falsely so called."

6. I demand of the reverend editor the passage, or passages which defend polygamy.

7. When Satan quoted the scripture, he omitted the chief words, and now I ask: Who follows him in his quotation of scriptures, the prohibitionist who quotes "touch not, taste not, handle not," or I who quote the verse in its entirety, beginning with "let no man judge you in meat or drink," to the end of the chapter. "This stuff is a mere play with words" to the reverend editor because he cannot refute it.

8. The prohibitionists are the polemics insisting on every one accepting their heresies and statements, denying us education, religion, science, reason and love to fellow man, therefore not modern.

9. Most of what the appendix says on environment is unproved evolution. I would today be a Baptist, probably a Baptist minister, if it had depended upon environment. This editor indulges in too much modern "religion" andway for a secular paper.

10. I am thankful that my environment and training made an honest man of me. If all prohibitionists argue like this one, and I fear they do, then prohibition makes sorry specimens of manhood. A tree is judged by its fruits.

Yesterday a lady (?) called me up and asked: "Why did you write that article? I know why! the saloon keepers paid you a large sum of money. They'll praise you and call you a good fellow. You said prohibition is unamerican, unchristian! Man, are you sane? You're a saloon keeper's preacher. You have a saloon keeper congregation."

Consider that this was all spoken in one string and no opportunity given me to answer such slanderous charges or questions. I asked, "Who are you?" and received the astonishing reply:

"I am a Bible student, sir, Mrs.——." She again resumed, "Show me in the Bible where Christ drank wine." When I calmly replied: "Come down and bring your Bible with you and I'll show you," she fairly yelled: "You can't do it! You can't do it!" Then assuming a tragic voice:

"Some day when you're in hell you'll answer for the boys and girls your saloon have sent to hell."

Mr. Editor, it takes a great deal of patience to answer such arguments as have thus far been advanced by the other side. I had intended to write a series of short articles showing that prohibition is unamerican, unchristian, etc., but I fear now my time will be taken up repelling such charitable attacks.

J. H. LINDEMEYER.

New Officer for Lakeview Park

Peter Peterson, who has held the position of park policeman and custodian at Lakeview park since last autumn, turned in his star yesterday and will vacate the park cottage today. The Board of Park Commissioners has appointed John W. Gibler, 2226 Fifth avenue, to the vacant place. Mr. Gibler has been driving a coal wagon for O'Neil Bros. for a long time.

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Minor Mention

Council Bluffs Office of The Bee is at 14 North Main St. Telephone 43.

Davis, drugs.

Victoria, $15. A. Hospe Co.

Corrigans, undertakers. Phone 43.

Blank book work. Morehouse & Co.

Woodring Undertaking Co. Tel. 239.

GARDNER PRESS, printing. Phone 53.

DAMON ELECTRIC CO. Tel. 199.—Adv.

Lewis Cutler, funeral director. Phone 97.

TO SAVE OR TO BORROW, SEE C. B. Mutual Bldg. and Loan Ass'n. 123 Pearl.

Eyes examined and glasses fitted. Leffert's.

Fine watch and jewelry repairing. Leffert's

WANTED—An experienced maid at the Grand hotel.

Bradley Electric Co., wiring and fixtures. Phone 393.

For sale, a brand new, $350 Stegleston upright piano for $200. Call Black 4181.

Expert and accurate watch repairing by reliable watchmakers only. Leffert's.

The wall paper shop, interior decorating, 15 Scott St. Tel. Red 945.

Ladies' and gents' suits cleaned, dyed and reshaped at small cost. Cook's Cleaning Works. Phone 178.

If your house needs painting, papering or decorating, see H. Borwick, 211 S. Main St. Prices fair to everybody.

Special communication Excelsior lodge No. 359, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Saturday evening for work in the first degree.

Mrs. E. A. Morehouse, Mrs. C. E. Swanson and Mrs. W. C. Joseph have returned from Guthrie Center, where they attended the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society of the Presbyterian church.

Paul Henry Wortman, 2-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wortman, 500 North Twenty-third street, died at 11:30 Thursday night, after a week's illness from pneumonia. The funeral will be held at the family home this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. J. H. Lindemeyer will conduct the services. Burial will be at Fairview cemetery.

The will of John Benton Watts, who died April 14, was filed for probate yesterday. The homestead and household property at 2204 Avenue B is left to the widow, who is also given one-half of all of the personal property. The remainder is left to the children, Cora, Eva, Cecil, Gus and Madge. Mrs. Watts is made executor without bond.

Two divorce cases were adjudicated yesterday by Judge Wheeler, who gave the decrees in both instances to the husbands. Joseph Hodder was divorced from his wife, Laura, on the plea of cruelty. They were married on December 7, 1898. On the grounds of desertion James Arthur Young was divorced from Meda F. Young. They were married on January 1, 1907.

Preparations for attacking the saloon consent petition were begun yesterday afternoon when the famous "committee of fifteen" took possession of the county auditor's office without even asking and began the work of copying the poll books. Several typewriters were carried into the office and installed in conspicuous places. The lists are to be used for comparing signatures on the consent petition.

Police inquiry yesterday into the stabbing affray in which Esther Woodward had a gash an inch long cut above her left eye by a knife in the hands of a little Italian girl disclosed it to be a real fight among children. Esther Woodward is 10 years old; Fena Martello, the Italian child who held the knife, is 9, and the other little Italian girl, Rose Constantino, is but 7 years old. All of the children will be in juvenile court this morning. The official report shows the trouble was provoked by the Woodward child tauntingly calling the other children "dagos." It was also disclosed that these taunts had been frequent and of long standing. Fena Martello used a small penknife and the other little girl threw a brick. The Italian children live at 820 Avenue I and Miss Esther at 1008 on the same street. Probation Officer Herner's report shows the white child to have been the aggressor.

Frederick W. Teeple, aged 49 years, a car repairer on the Chicago-Great Western railroad, died at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning at the family residence, 1428 Seventh avenue, after a four months' illness from kidney trouble. He had been a resident of Council Bluffs for twenty-three years. He was a member of the Modern Brotherhood of America and of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America. He is survived by his widow and two sons, James B. Teeple and Wesley W. Teeple, both at home. He also leaves two sisters and three brothers. They are Mrs. Melissa Howard of Neola, Mrs. Rachel Ballard of Whitehall, Ill., James B. Teeple of Rodhouse, Ill., and William and Charles Teeple of Kansas City, Kan. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence. Burial will be in Walnut Hill cemetery. Rev. J. E. Matheny of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church will have charge at the residence and the Railway Carmen at the grave.

A number of the Young Men's Christian association officials, including President R. B. Wallace, J. G. Wadsworth, General Secretary B. B. Hadley, Boys' Work Secretary J. C. Watson, Physical Director A. O. DeVol and R. S. Fowler, boys' work secretary of the Omaha Young Men's Christian association, have made a trip to Blue Lake to look over the camping grounds and make the usual arrangements for the annual outing of the Young Men's Christian association. They found the lake well stocked with fish and anticipate an unusually fine encampment. The encampment is expected to be of three weeks' duration starting June 5, and terminating June 27. The first two weeks is to be younger boys' reign at the land of bliss, twenty-five being taken out each week. The last and third week of the encampment will be for the older boys and men. The campers' time at Blue lake will be devoted to fishing, swimming, boating and other pastimes peculiar to an outing of this nature. The advance committee made the trip to the lake in Mr. Wadsworth's machine.

Evidence in in the Davis and Duff Case

Owing to the absence of J. J. Hess, one of the attorneys for R. M. Davis in the quo warranto and injunction suits brought by Charles J. Duff to test the right of each to claim possession of the office of city clerk, there was a slight interruption in the hearing before Judge Wheeler in district court yesterday.

Clem F. Kimball, associate counsel for Mr. Davis and Mayor Snyder, asked for a continuance. Judge Wheeler declined and directed that the evidence be submitted, the arguments to go over until this morning.

There was but little evidence to submit, as the issues involved relate to court decisions and law constructions entirely. All of the evidence it was necessary to submit related to the council proceedings the evening of April 4, when R. M. Davis was declared the legally elected clerk by the votes of the four republican aldermen and the deciding vote of Mayor Snyder. The records were presented to the court and properly identified by Mr. Duff, including also the technical correction of the minutes made at the last meeting of the council to show that Mayor Snyder in announcing the vote declared Davis the duly elected city clerk.

Mr. Davis was the only other witness. He was called only to show that he had properly qualified to take the office by filing the $18,000 official bond required and that he was a citizen of the United States.

Dr. Buxton Signs Consent Petition

Rev. Dr. Buxton, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, yesterday signed the saloon consent petion. He took the trouble to seek the opportunity to attach his name and went to a local law office for the purpose of doing so, pausing several times on the way to announce to acquaintances he met on the street that he was going uptown for that purpose.

"I signed the petition from purely conscientious motives, both as a citizen and as a clergyman," said Rev. Mr. Buxton last evening, "and I have announced that so far as I am concerned that they can engross the petition with my name attached and frame it, publish it in all of the newspapers or print it on the clouds. I have no patience with the bigotry and narrowness of those professors of sockless Christianity who would criticise any man for doing so or seek to prevent him.

"With Omaha as an open door prohibition in Council Bluffs would be more than a pitiful farce. It would be a menace to public morals and a source of real evil. I have no apologies to make for my act to any man or anywhere. I would sign it half a dozen times if it would do any good."

At least three other clergymen have announced their intention of signing the petition.

Joe Smiths to Open With Luxus Game

The Joe Smith base ball team, which played all its games at Lake Manawa last season, and will play at Athletic park the coming season, will play the initial game Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with the strong Luxus bunch of Omaha, one of the best organizations in class A in the tri-cities.

Manager Bonham of the Smiths, who has leased Athletic park from the Merchants' Base Ball association, has strengthened his bunch with some of the players from that club, such as "Togo" Duff, Rice and Goff, and his team will be composed of the best amateur players in the Bluffs. The Smiths are popular and many fans are expected at the first game. There will be a preliminary game starting at 1:30 p. m. Lineup:

JOE SMITHS.		LUXUS.
Duff-Smith	Catch	Hachten
Hansen	Pitch	Smith
Henderson	Pitch	Sullivan
Christensen	First	Vanous
Deyo-Williams	Second	Bowley
Philips	Third	Tracey
Ashmore	Short	Rapp
Scanlon	Left	Dennison
Goff-Boyne	Center	Melody
Rice	Right	Denny

Debs to Speak in Council Bluffs

Local socialists are elated over the news received here yesterday that Eugene V. Debs is to speak in Council Bluffs June 9. It has long been the desire of local socialists to get Debs to come here, and they have been using every means to bring it about. He was here many years ago and gave two addresses in the old Christian church tabernacle, but that was before he had acquired a national reputation. The Masonic hall will be engaged for his lecture.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers filed Friday were reported to The Bee by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company:

Benjamin Co. to Joseph Hansen, lots 3 and 4, block 8, McMahon, Cooper & Jefferis' add., w. d.	$ 500
Sarah B. B. Rohrer and husband to Virginia N. Gale, lot 22, block 22, Central sub., w. d.	100
Alfred Christensen and wife to E. H. Lougee, lot 7, McGee's sub. of lots 4 and 5, block 20, Hughes & Doniphan's add., w. d.	2,100
Katherina Andersen to Thomas P. Andresen, lots 17 and 18, Avoca Land and Loan Co.'s add. to Avoca, w. d.	1
William Meister to Lela U. Brown, lots 10 and 11, block 14, Walnut, Ia., w. d.	1,510
Totals	$4,211

Iowa News Notes.

ATLANTIC—The Merchants Greys will open the local base ball season Sunday in a game with the Griswold team. The game will be played on the local diamond, where a new grandstand has just been erected.

ATLANTIC—The fifty-six blocks of paving to be laid in Atlantic this year will be of concrete and will be laid by P. C. Hansen & Son of Sioux City, the concern which laid the last of the paving done here. Theirs was the lowest of seven bids made to the city council. The average runs from $1.16 per square yard to $1.18 per square yard.

Iowa Blue Sky Law is Alleged Invalid

KEOKUK, Ia., April 18.—Arguments were begun in federal court yesterday on the question of the constitutionality of the Iowa blue sky law, which places the control and supervision of investment companies in the hands of the secretary of state and attorney general.

It was argued by the complainants that the statute is invalid because it interferes with interstate commerce; because it inflicts severe and unusual penalties; is in conflict with fundamental rights; places legislative authority in the hands of the secretary of state; that it is in conflict with provisions of the federal and state constitutions, and because the act is not the same as passed by the Thirty-fifth Iowa general assembly.

NEBRASKANS ON VISIT EAST STOP OFF IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, April 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Helen Drake, superior organizer of the P. E. O. sisterhood, of Beatrice, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Andrews for the Daughters of the American Revolution convention, which will convene in Washington next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Metz of Omaha were among Senator Hitchcock's and Congressman Lobeck's callers today. They are on a brief visit to their daughter, a pupil at the Somers seminary, and will return home tomorrow or next day.

The Home Beauty Parlor

by Betty Dean

Marguerite: You should make up and use this harmless eye-tonic and you will have no further trouble with your eyes: In 1 pint clear water dissolve 1 ounce crystos. Put 2 or 3 drops in each eye twice a day for a while and the smart and ache will entirely disappear. The crystos tonic will give almost instant relief to tired, aching eye-muscles and its timely use frequently overcomes the need for glasses.

City Girl: Yes, some soaps have a tendency to rob the scalp of all its oil, and frequently causing a mild form of eczema. Get from your druggist a small original package of canthrox and dissolve a teaspoonful in a cup of hot water, then pour this mixture on the head slowly and rub well. The thick, cleansing lather will dissolve all dust, dandruff and excess oil and greatly invigorate the scalp and hair roots. Rinsing leaves the scalp immaculately clean, while the hair dries quickly and is greatly enriched in color and brilliancy. Canthrox shampoos, if used regularly will correct scalp troubles and induce the hair to grow in thick and beautiful.

Priscilla: The old-fashioned kardene tonic is nature's best helper, and a course of treatment of this famous blood cleanser and tissue-builder restores strength and vitality to the weak, wan, worn body. It is easily and cheaply made at home—just dissolve ½ cupful sugar and 1 ounce kardene in ½ pint alcohol (not whiskey), then add hot water to make a full quart. The dose is a tablespoonful before each meal. This tonic restores lost appetite, builds up and strengthens the body, gives to the skin a clear, healthy glow and guards against bodily ills.

Mrs. A. I. M.: To retain the velvety smoothness and healthy tint of your complexion, apply daily a spurmax lotion, made by dissolving 4 ounces spurmax in ½ pint witch hazel or hot water to which add 2 teaspoonsful glycerine. This protects the perfect complexion and will make a "muddy," oily or blotchy skin clear and pleasingly beautiful.

Marie L.: Electric scalp massages will not do as much for your scalp as will a plain quinzoin hair tonic, made by adding 1 ounce quinzoin to ½ pint alcohol, in which is then poured ½ pint water. Manipulate the scalp thoroughly when you use this tonic and you will be surprised how quickly the dry, oily condition will disappear. Then, too, this treatment will restore the proper luster and soft fluffiness to your hair. I unhesitatingly recommend this quinzoin tonic for dandruff, faded, streaky or grey hair, because of the great good it has done for others.

Mrs. de L.: If you are getting too fat mix together 4 ounces parnotis and 1½ pints hot water. When cool strain and take 1 tablespoonful before meals until weight is where you want it. This is a safe, harmless method of fat-reduction and does not depend on dieting or unusual exercising. The parnotis treatment is gentle in action and restores the symmetrical lines to the figure.

Eve: Wrinkles and premature age marks are quickly erased from the skin by the following treatment: Into ½ pint cold water dissolve 1 ounce almozoin and add 2 teaspoonfuls glycerine. Let stand one day, then at night apply generously to skin covering the wrinkles. This protects the surface and stimulates the blood vessels just beneath the skin and so energizes the starved tissues underneath the creases that they gradually assume their proper size—then the wrinkles or lines will have vanished. As a skin-cleanser and rejuvenator of the complexion the almozoin cream-jelly is not equalled. All blemishes, blackheads, skin roughness and sallowness vanish as if by magic.

Betty Dean's Beauty Book, E. (Adv.)