

CITY COUNCIL IN A QUIET SESSION

Go Through Customary Business and Adjourn at Early Hour Last Night

CHIEF OF POLICE RESIGNS POSITION

William Shea Appointed Councilman of Fifth Ward to Succeed Fred Renner.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

The city council met in regular session last evening with all resident members present. It was a very uneventful meeting and no action was taken on any important questions. After the entertainment of the special session a week ago, last night's meeting was a tame one. The minutes of the last two meetings were read and adopted without any opposition, following which was read a communication asking the city for better fire protection in the west part of the city signed by Adolph Koubek and seventy-five residents of that district. A fire hydrant was asked for to be placed at the corner of Main and Spring streets, at which place it would be 400 feet west of the nearest hydrant now in use. The paper asked for immediate action on the matter as it was considered an urgent case. It was referred to the Fire and Water committee. A communication was read asking that the grade be established in the property of Mrs. Dina Campion, Henry A. Schneider and John Leyda in order that a permanent walk may be laid at once. The matter was referred to the Streets and Alley committee with the right to act.

The resignation of D. L. Amick, chief of police, was read and upon the action of Councilman Neuman, accepted. The mayor has not decided on the proper man to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Amick, but will name the new chief at the next meeting of the council. A communication was read from City Attorney Ramsey in regard to the condemning the old mill on Chicago avenue. It was stated the mill was originally owned by J. A. and W. H. Egerton, the latter having died, leaving his share of the property in the possession of a minor daughter and

on account of legal difficulties that might arise, the attorney requested that two weeks more be given on the matter of tearing down the building which was granted. The clerk was ordered to notify the city attorney of the fact that the mill was situated partly on city property, jutting six or eight feet out into the street.

A report of City Treasurer C. G. Fricke showed the amount on hand \$10,171.39. This report was referred to the proper committee. Reports were read from the different foremen of the fire department, showing the fire-fighting apparatus to be in a first-class condition.

In a report of the Streets, Alleys and Bridges committee made by Mr. Weber, an account was given of the recent visit to the Burlington shops by a special committee appointed to look over the proposed drainage alterations that are to be made along the creek bordering the shops in order to carry off the water during the heavy rains. The plans made by the railroad met the approval of the council members and it was asked that the Burlington engineer make an estimate of the cost which would fall upon the city, but up to date, no such estimation has been received by the clerk. It was moved by Mr. Weber that bids be secured for cement walks and crossings according to the specifications used for the work two years ago, so when improvements of this kind are asked for, the approximate cost of the same may be known. The estimated bill amounting to \$35 for the proposed stand pipe for the street sprinkler to be erected at Ed Egenberger's corner, was presented. The bill was referred back to the proper committee for an itemized statement of the proposed work. Mr. Neuman

reported that he had scouted around in the alleys looking for gasoline tanks of grocery and hardware men, but none could be found, but there was a shed in the rear of John Bauer's establishment that looked suspiciously like it might have contained the oil at one time. The frame shed in the rear of the cleaning works which was ordered torn down at the last session was said to be standing in the same condition as always and the builder of the structure was given two weeks longer in which to get busy with his ax and knock the shed down.

A report was made by Mr. Kurtz of the Cemetery committee giving the improvements deemed necessary by the members of the committee their visit to the grounds last Sunday. He recommended that the five acres of new land be plowed up and seeded to alfalfa or wheat in order to kill off the gophers which are greatly damaging this piece of property at present. It was explained that the street to the new cemetery was in a very bad condition and in order to permanently repair it, the road bed would have to be filled in with rock and gravel. Other repairs on the roads were found to be necessary and it was moved by Mr. Kurtz that \$300 for the work be taken out of the business tax fund and placed in the cemetery fund for the carrying out of the work. Here a discussion arose as to whether it was legal to make such a transposition of money. Mr. Dwyer made an amendment to the motion, limiting the amount to be spent on the cemetery to \$150. His amendment was lost and the committee was given the authority to proceed with the work, being allowed the sum of \$300.

A few minutes intermission was taken when an official count was made of the votes cast at the special election held last Tuesday. The votes were found to be 358 for the issuance of bonds and 64 against, showing a majority for the issuance of 294 votes. It was moved and carried that a side walk resolution be drawn up and served on the property owners of certain lots on Fifteenth street, between Locust and Oak. The clerk was requested to bring a list of all persons who had not paid in the occupation tax by the next council meeting in order that the amount might be collected by the chief of police. The motion was carried that proper tiling be ordered for the new road work which is to be done in the near future on the avenues.

One of the important events of the evening was the appointment and affirmation of William Shea to take place of Councilman Fred Renner of the Fifth ward, who has recently moved from the city.

To close the meeting a number of minor repairs and improvements were ordered in the streets and walks around the city including a motion to have the old bridge on Clair street, near the O'Neil place removed and a large tiling in its stead. At Rock and Fourth streets some steps were ordered placed in a safe condition. Grading was ordered done for a permanent walk to be laid on the Joseph Peters place on Ninth street and it was moved to have a side walk notice served on Mrs. McVicker, for the building of a new walk. Following a few other minor motions, the meeting was adjourned.

The bills allowed:

Nebraska Light Co., light.....	\$ 1.15
Henry Trout, salary.....	28.00
Neb. Light Co., mdse.....	3.00
H. M. Young, salary.....	10.00
D. L. Amick.....	50.00
W. A. O'Neill.....	28.40
Olive Jones, salary.....	25.00
James Donnelly, salary.....	4.50
Library expense.....	2.00
W. C. Joy, painting.....	11.00
M. Archer, salary.....	30.00
John Bauer, mdse.....	3.40
Platts. Phone Co., rent.....	6.00
James Rebal, street commission	24.00
er.....	24.00
D. B. Ebersole, rent.....	12.00
W. B. Rishel, labor.....	26.00
August Bach, rent.....	6.00
Philip Harrison, labor.....	19.00
W. B. Elster, expense.....	2.87
Louis Dose, labor.....	6.00
Ben Rainey, special police.....	22.00
William Hassler, labor.....	9.90
John Harkins, labor.....	3.33
Election bills, \$3.00 each, for clerks	
and judges:	
John Corey, Fred Black, W. D.	
Messersmith, William Hartweck, H.	
Thrasher, J. Johnson, W. B. Rishel,	
John Kopia, John Weyrich, Henry	
Goos, George Weideman, Henry Jess,	
George Sayles, E. Ptak, A. Despain,	
A. N. Sullivan, Anton Nitka, J. C.	
Peterson, August Tartach, Louis Dose,	
August Bach, Ed Polan, John Vor-	
dran, Fritz Heinrich.	

Postponed.

Owing to the illness of Rev. L. W. Gade incident to the labor of packing, moving and fitting up his home in our midst he will not be able to attend the reception proposed in his honor on Tuesday evening the 10th inst. The reception therefore, is postponed to Tuesday evening the 17th inst. All invitations are extended to that evening.

SOUNDS LIKE A GOOD ONE FOR THIS TOWN

A Fine Scheme Which Proves Successful For Bucking Catalog Houses

Merchants know that the catalogue houses use furniture and lines slovely relating to furniture as leaders" in their catalogues and their advertising. A Fremont furniture house, and we may say a house that believes implicitly in newspaper advertising as evidenced by its remarkable business, uses a novel weapon in its fight against the inroads of the mail order houses in Fremont territory. Besides keeping a Shears, Sawbuck catalogue handy, these enterprising merchants also carry in stock a number of pieces of cheap furniture which correspond exactly with the goods so glowingly and elaborately described in the four color catalogues.

When a prospective customer comes into this Fremont store and looks at the furniture, remarking that the catalogue houses can give him such and such a price, the merchant immediately shows him the cheaper grades of furniture as advertised by the catalogue houses, and explains to him the utter uselessness of buying such cheap, shoddy furniture. This argument usually works well; but if the purchaser insists upon buying such goods, the furniture man sells it to him—and at a lower price than the catalogue figures.

Furniture dealers, like dry goods and clothing merchants, are finding out slowly but surely that it pays to advertise. No matter how good a stock they carry or how good their prices might be, they know people will not be reliably informed unless advertising space is used liberally and persistently.—Nebraska City Press.

Improving Bakery Shop.

James V. Kasper who has recently purchased the Jaking establishment of V. T. Kunel is making a number of improvements at his place of business and will soon have the interior of the bakery in such a shape that it will not be recognized by Mr. Kunel himself. Mr. Kasper is an old experienced hand in the pastry business having worked with the dough for thirteen years. He learned his trade in Bohemia and Germany and holds a number of diplomas for bakery work in the old country. For six years he worked in the New England and other bakeries of Omaha but for the past few years he has not been employed at the work.

The last two or three days he has been busy with the scrubbing brush until the shop shines like a Lincoln penny, and some good examples of the local sign painters handiwork now adorn the windows. The new proprietor seems to be a hustler. He is not satisfied with the arrangement and equipment of the workshop and is adding new shelves, tables, etc. The oven will be somewhat changed in order that more satisfactory work may be done with it. If the trade seems to demand it, he will serve light lunches, sandwiches, etc., later on, but for the present he will put in his time at the bakery business alone. It is his plan to depend entirely on his store trade and he is not expecting to do any delivering or route business.

A LETTER FROM THE SUNFLOWER STATE

D. F. Kiser Talks to His Old Friends Through This Paper.

Wakeeney, Kan., May 6, 1910.

Dear Editor—As I promised to give you our local news I will try again. My son Vern and I are batching here and we enjoy it hugely. We got an immense rain last night and it is raining yet. We had a dry lake here, but now it is nearly full of water and contains many frogs and small fish and strange as it is nature has done it all. Some corn here was planted about five weeks ago, but I think if they get a good stand they will regret for the weather has been so cold that it retarded its growth and gave the cutworms a good chance to get their work in. Although it has been quite dry here wheat looks fine and grass is from one to eight inches tall. I will tell you about my beat. I went to Denver and Golden and while at Golden I climbed an almost inaccessible mountain and on its summit I thought I saw gold in the rocks. I took samples and had them tested and was told that it was only a mixture of seum and ormoln, and I want to say that the hardest work I ever did that far was in ascending that mountain, but harder still to make the descension whereupon I decided to quit the mountains and take to the good rich level country like we have

at Wakeeney, and yet they farm those plateaus and say they make money. I would not climb that old mountain again for all their old table land and the mountain sides included, for there is no real soil there, it is all sand, rock and gravel, and around Denver it is nearly as bad, and if they could not irrigate white beans could not be raised there.

Yet by heavy irrigation their poor land produces nearly anything except corn. We have just eaten our last mess of fish which we caught with hook and line about six weeks ago. You might think that they are rather stale, but they are as good as when caught and now that we have no more on hand we will play hooky again. We have no graphophone and no other artificial music, but the different kinds of frogs that descended into our lake last night by rain produce quite a euphony, and as long as they blow and chirp such congenial sounds Edison will get no foothold here. I wrote you before and if you want me to write again please send me a copy of your valuable paper and I will write again and try to give you all the news. Yours truly, D. F. Kiser.

Have Supper In Park.

A novel birthday surprise was carried out on Robert Hayes, general foreman of the Burlington shops, last evening when a number of his friends got next to his red letter day and proceeded to make preparations for celebrating it. The lady members of the crowd got busy early in the day and made plans for a picnic supper to be served in the city park and by noon everything was under way for a genuine picnic spread. At six o'clock the lunch was spread out on the city park lawn and it was certainly a hard one to beat. There appeared to be enough sandwiches, cookies, cold meats, etc., to feed a regiment, but when the diners got busy, with their appetites whetted by the outdoor air they found that there was not enough left over to feed the birds.

It was the occasion of "Bob's" sixteenth birthday, at least that was what he said, and the maneuvers of the crowd were not in any way caught onto by the victim until he was steered through the park on his way home from work by G. G. Gould, chief clerk at the shops. It was indeed a surprise for "Bob" to find the crowd lying in ambush for him with the bountiful meal. He readily ran up the white flag and sat down to supper with his hosts. Those present were Misses Genevieve Howard, Pearl Nichols, Etha Crabill, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gobelman, Mrs. L. E. Shaulis, George Mann and Robert Hayes.

Balloons at Fort Omaha.

This week is all the same aviation week at Omaha, as the big balloon tests made by the government are to be pulled off at that city. Already the big air bags have been given a few trials and with the present weather there is no reason why much cannot be accomplished along these lines. Balloons will be sent up every day and if we keep our eyes open perhaps we may be given an idea of how Uncle Sam will do things in the air when he gets mixed up with an enemy.

The new German cigar shaped balloon was inflated Sunday afternoon and given trial trip to see how it would work. The balloon bag is of the same model as the German war balloon with wings of canvas running parallel with the bag for the purpose of assisting the balloon in maintaining its equilibrium and for better facilities in guiding it.

The bag had a capacity of 25,000 cubic feet. It will be used as a captive balloon wholly for school purposes. Captain Chas. Chandler arrived at Fort Omaha yesterday and will have charge of the practical aeronautics during the presence of the officer student class of twenty which arrived in Omaha today from Fort Leavenworth.

"Kids" Get the Fever.

The lads of the seventh and eighth grades in this city have got the base ball microbe and have formed an association to work off some of the effects of the fever. They have been circulating a paper since Saturday getting subscriptions for the support of their team and have succeeded in getting together the sum of \$10 which will be used for traveling expenses when the aggregation makes its tours. Saturday they have arranged to play the Weeping Water boys at that place. Negotiations are on foot for a game the following week with Glenwood. The title bearers of the association are Vern Long, captain; Roy Denson, manager; Glen Edwards, treasurer.

Adolph Wesch, a nephew bearing the same name as that of his uncle, Adolph Wesch, the Main street shoe maker, arrived in the city last night from the old country and will make his home with Mr. Wesch in this city.

Petitions for probate of wills were filed today in the county court in the estate of Edwin R. Todd and of William Coatsman.

PRESENTS THE APPLICATION

Senator Burkett After Free Mail Delivery For Plattsmouth.

EVERY HOUSE IN TOWN
MUST BE NUMBERED

Government Inspector Will Be In Town Soon to Investigate Conditions.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

Word was received today at the postoffice of an application made at Washington by Senator Burkett for the installation of a free mail delivery in this city and he was informed that an inspector of the government would be sent to Plattsmouth in a very short time to investigate the claims made by the authorities that the town is now ready for carrier service. This certainly is a bit of welcome news for Plattsmouth and things are beginning to look like Uncle Sam is in earnest when he promises free delivery very soon. The application has reached the Senate in a very short time. It was written by the Commercial club secretary and sent with a communication of Postmaster Schneider not more than ten days ago. It must have met with the hearty approval of the Senator for it suffered no delay and was brought before the Senate much sooner than was even hoped for.

One of the conditions required in every town before free delivery of mail is granted, is that each residence and place of business be numbered and all the streets named and recorded. There are many stores and homes that need the street numbers brightened up a little in order that the inspector will be able to see them at first glance. If your house isn't numbered you had better get busy with the paint brush, find the correct number for the place and label your abode in a conspicuous place, so the inspector will not find this a reason for holding back the free delivery proposition. It is also required that the postal receipts amount to \$10,000 or over. Plattsmouth has been equalling this amount for a number of years and some years has left this mark many hundred dollars behind. The indications from the past quarter are that they will exceed \$11,000 for the ensuing year. An addition of well over \$100 has been given the receipts this month by the mail being distributed by the new photograph machine house and when the alfalfa mill is started it will mean another big contributor.

The recent action on the paving bonds which means the city will pave the intersections and the street surrounding the postoffice, takes away the stumbling stone that existed there, concerning the erection of the new government building for according to law, streets surrounding the federal building must be permanently paved and permanent side walks laid to correspond. Now the street will soon have a surface of paving brick and will be in fit condition for as fine a building as Uncle Sam can possibly give.

There is no doubt but what the mail business in the city is on the boom. One of the proofs of the fact is that six months ago there were in the neighborhood of seventy-five boxes which were not in use at the building while every one is rented today and there is a waiting list of at least twenty five. This alone means quite an increase in the receipts, for by the receipts of an office is meant all the money taken in from stamps, box rents, etc., but it does not include fees or money orders. Another sign of the increasing business is the addition of another member to the office force a short time ago.

Free delivery of mail will be a big step towards a metropolitan city and it will not only be a matter of great convenience to every person in town but will give employment to four or five men to act as city carriers. Carrier service will be a great boon for Plattsmouth.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to sincerely thank the many friends, both known and unknown of our late husband, father and son, who so gratefully remembered us in our recent bereavement, by flowers and words of consolation. We wish to bestow especial thanks to the Degree of Honor, the railroad organizations of which he was a member, and to the High school classmates who did so much to lighten the burden on our hearts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hergler.
Mrs. Emma Renner.
Carl and Harold Renner.

ARE YOU COUNTED?

It is very essential that every man, woman and child in the City of Plattsmouth be counted by the census man. This will be impossible unless you take hold of the matter your self and assist in the work. If the census this year should show a loss for the City it might mean a great loss to us in many ways. It might mean the loss of our public building and certainly every resident of the city is interested in the matter of seeing that building erected. If your name has not been taken by the Census enumerator it probably means that he has been to your house and you were not at home. It is therefore up to you to see that yourself and every member of your family are counted.

DO IT NOW

Fill out the coupon below and send it to Postmaster Schneider at postoffice. Cut it out of the paper and see that every name is on it that belongs thereon. Make it a personal matter and see that it gets in the hands of the Postmaster and DO IT NOW.

Name.....
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