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THE CITY COUNCIL REFERS COMMUNICATION TO WATER COMMITTEE

Petition From Ninety-six Citizens Asking for the Granting of a Twenty Year Water Franchise to Geo. F. West Placed on File With City Clerk—Ask Time on Picture Show Ordinance

From Tuesday's Daily.

Two members of the council were absent when the gavel of Mayor Sattler fell last evening, namely, Mr. Dovey of the First ward, who is in New York, and Mr. Will of the Third ward, who is out of the city.

After roll-call and the reading and approval of the minutes of the previous session, a petition from Lena and John Reulin, asking the city to construct a permanent walk on the east line of their property, lot 1, in block 21, and charge the same to their property, one-tenth to be paid each year. It appearing to the council that permanent walks had been constructed for several blocks north of this place and that by building this walk the residents for a long distance would have concrete walks to the postoffice, the petition was granted on a roll-call, all councilmen present being favorable to the proposition.

Under the head of communications, the petition of James Robertson and ninety-five others, asking the council to grant a twenty-year franchise to the Plattsmouth Water company, on the basis proposed by Mr. West, was read, and on motion of Mr. Dwyer, was placed on file for the convenience of the council. The mayor suggested that any member who desired to see who had signed the petition could do so by calling on the clerk. Following this action a communication from Mr. West of Portland, Maine, was read. The letter reviewed the history of the management of the company and stated that on account of bad management the company had been forced into the hands of a receiver several years ago, and that the present owner expected to put it on its feet, but to do so the rates for users could not be changed materially from his proposition, viz.: \$40 per year for hydrants instead of \$45, as now, and had been the rate, and for family use for a six room house a flat rate of \$6 per year, with no charge for additional faucets. On motion of Mr. Dwyer that Mr. West's communication be referred to a special committee, it was referred to the fire and water committee composed of Councilmen Neuman, Dovey and Shea.

The finance committee then reported for allowance forty-three bills, with two bills, one for \$3.20 and one for \$97.36, referred to the claims committee. The bills given below were allowed.

City Clerk B. G. Wurl reported occupation tax collected and other sources of income, less a \$1 commission for sale of cemetery lot, to be \$58.50.

The treasurer's report was then called for and showed amounts paid out during the month of October and balances on hand as follows:

Fund—	Paid Out	Balance
Building	\$ 79.84	
General	359.85	255.03
Road	855.84	1,116.91
Fire Dept.	1.50	133.62
Library	31.60	173.38
Park	10.00	7.26
Police	19.03	4.14
Fire Hydrant ..		
Rental	900.00	568.99
Lighting	126.75	297.68
Interest		2,229.09
Cemetery	22.40	38.10
Dog		110.86
Business Tax ..	63.85	361.63
Sinking		2,928.79
Gen. School	353.24	127.53
Teachers'		
School	2,355.00	*1,009.22
Paving Dist. No. 3		475.55

Balance in treasury, \$7,702.38
* Indicates fund is overdrawn.

The police judge reported a total of \$54.55 collected in fines and costs.

The claims committee reported favorably on the claim of Fred Patterson for \$26 and of D. B.

Ebersol for \$7.40. The opinion of the city attorney on the claim of H. M. Soennichsen for \$44.40 was read, and in substance advised that the claim, with the possible exception of strawberries and chop feed for the cow, was a valid claim and the same was allowed by a vote of the council.

The police committee asked for further time on a report concerning an ordinance for the prohibition of moving picture shows on Sunday.

The special committee on letting the contract for erecting a retaining wall at the public library reported that the committee had looked over the ground and had decided that a wall costing less than the specifications called for could be built and would be more feasible than as advertised. Mr. Lushinsky advised the council that the committee had been informed that a concrete block wall placed on a brick foundation would be the best and cheapest wall that could be erected. Mr. Dwyer and Mr. Weber advocated a concrete foundation.

A motion was made that the work be done under the supervision of the library committee, the committee to use its judgment as to the best kind of wall to build. Mr. Dwyer offered an amendment that the wall be placed on a concrete foundation. The roll was called, and those favoring the amendment were Dwyer and Weber; those opposed were Kurtz, Hallstrom, Neuman, Lushinsky, Gravett and Shea. The motion was then voted upon to allow the library committee to superintend the work, which carried, Messrs. Dwyer and Weber voting in the negative.

Under the head of new business Mr. Kurtz of the Second ward asked that some work be done on South Maiden Lane, which was ordered.

Mr. Hallstrom of the Third ward asked that sidewalks on South Sixth street be ordered fixed before cold weather, and that some repairs be done in the street at the west end of Main street, opposite the Kanka property.

Mr. Neuman of the Fourth ward spoke of the defective places in the pavement which should be looked after before the guaranty expired, which the councilman thought was soon. This matter was referred to the chairman of the streets, alleys and bridges committee to bring about.

Mr. Shea of the Fifth ward asked for a crossing at Cutoff street and the avenue and a crossing on Gold and Eighth streets should be placed in position.

The mayor then called the council's attention to the meeting in Omaha of the Municipal League association, which occurs on November 15, 16 and 17, and to which the city is invited to send three delegates. On a motion three delegates were appointed, being Dwyer, Neuman and Gravett.

The council then adjourned, after allowance of the bills following, to meet at once in a special session as a board of equalization for the purpose of adjusting assessments of property for permanent sidewalks, the same having been advertised as required by ordinance and statute. Some little discussion arose as to getting the proper valuations against the different parcels of real estate without the assistance of a surveyor, and the committee was not ready to make the assessment on the information at hand. On motion of Mr. Dwyer the board of equalization adjourned to meet November 27 at 9 o'clock p. m.

Claims Allowed.

Frank Kauble for burying dog, 25 cents; Bert Thomas, special police, \$2; H. C. McMaken & Son, crossing, \$24; R. A. Bates, printing, \$59.20; H. C. McMaken & Son, crossings, \$93.66; William Mendenhall, special police, \$2;

John Fitzpatrick, salary, \$10; Ben Raney, salary, \$65; H. C. McMaken & Son, road work, \$6; H. C. McMaken & Son, crossings, \$100.80; A. L. Jones, road work, \$18.40; M. McCool, road work, \$34.80; Ed Snodgrass, road work, \$62; J. Rebal, salary, \$54; P. Harrison, road work, \$34.80; William Mendenhall, road work, \$33.80; Karl Goolsby, road work, \$26; James Wynn, road work, \$62; Nebraska Lighting company, \$125; Nebraska Lighting company, 35 cents; Cass county, boarding prisoners, \$17.40; C. W. Baylor & Co., coal, \$8.35; Albert Schattler, special police, \$2; Claus Speck, special police, \$2; Phil Kinneman, fire department, \$1.50; Plattsmouth Telephone company, \$1.50; Nebraska Lighting company, \$2.50; Wilson Reinforced Concrete company, \$104; R. W. Clement, freight, \$9.10; D. B. Ebersole, repairs on machinery, \$14; H. M. Soennichsen, sundries, 45 cents; Henry Trout, salary, \$50; M. Archer, salary, \$30; R. W. Toogood, fire department, \$1.50; James Donnelly, library, \$2.25; library expense, \$2.95; O. Jones, salary, \$25; B. J. Wurl, expense for stamps, etc., \$2; James Donnelly, library, \$4.50; W. B. Rishel, street work, \$58.80; Nebraska Lighting company, \$1.50.

FIRST OVER THE NEW AUTO BRIDGE

Omaha Men First to Cross New Bridge Over the Platte River.

The Omaha Bee, in its Sunday edition, says: "The new Duff-Pollock wagon and motor bridge near Plattsmouth was crossed for the first time at 11:40 o'clock yesterday morning by Richard Stewart and F. B. Jacquith of Omaha, riding in a new six-cylinder automobile. The automobilists then drove into Plattsmouth, where, with President Pollock of the Plattsmouth Commercial club, they made arrangements for a celebration of the opening of the new bridge. This celebration will be held in Plattsmouth Wednesday and attended by delegates from every city along the new Omaha-Plattsmouth-Kansas City automobile route. D. E. Watkins will be the principal speaker at the meeting, at which an association will be formed whose purpose will be to improve the roads in Cass county and the Omaha-Kansas City road."

William Albee Improves.

William P. Albee, a former Plattsmouth citizen, who had the misfortune some time ago, while switching at Alliance, to have both hands taken off under the car wheels, is still at the hospital, but slowly improving. No details of the dreadful accident were obtainable at the time, except that he was bumped off of the car and fell beneath the wheels. He has a wife and two small children; his father and mother reside at Glenwood, Iowa. About three years ago Mr. Albee was married to Miss Barwick of this city, at which time he was a brakeman on a Burlington freight, but was afterward transferred to Alliance, where he has resided since. He is a fine young man and has a large circle of friends here and at Glenwood, who learned with sorrow the misfortune which has befallen Mr. Albee.

Frank Maxwell Returns.

From Monday's Daily. Frank Maxwell, the Burlington fireman who was knocked senseless in his cab a few weeks ago and since has been confined in a hospital at Fremont, returned to Plattsmouth yesterday. He does not expect to be able to resume his duties as fireman on the Sioux City run before the first of December. He does not yet know how the accident happened which came nearly ending his life, but remembers that he was shoveling coal and climbed up to his place in the cab and looked out when he received the blow, rendering him unconscious.

Mrs. William Weber left for Omaha this afternoon, where she will visit her daughters, Mrs. Steffen and Mrs. F. A. Schiele, for a few days.

FAULHABER WILL SAW THE WOOD

As a Result of the Election of Gus Hyers as Sheriff of Lancaster County.

Anyone wanting a cord of wood saved free of cost will confer a great favor upon calling Gus Hyers. This is no josh, its the real dope and is the aftermath of a foolish election bet made under the most disheartening influence of political enthusiasm. The parties interested in the case are: Gus Hyers, sheriff-elect of Lancaster county; L. A. Simmons, defeated candidate for sheriff; Louis Faulhaber, the newspapers and the curious commonwealth.

The day before election Hyers and Faulhaber entered into a discussion as to the results of the following day. Hyers predicted his election by a big majority. Faulhaber asserted that Hyers would be low man on the ticket, and for a while it looked as though there might be something more interesting than a lively discussion or even a bet. Friends, however interposed and Faulhaber made a proposition to the republican candidate. He said if you are elected I will saw a cord of wood on the postoffice square, and if Simmons is elected you are to saw the wood. Hyers agreed and each man placed \$20 in the hands of one of the reporters as a forfeiture should either fail to carry out his end of the contract. The agreement called for the work to be done by December 1.

Faulhaber said Thursday that he was ready and willing to perform his task, and it is now up to the newspaper men to secure the wood and to set the date. As the bet attracted some attention around the official headquarters, it is very likely that a large representation of those interested will appear on the scene when Faulhaber begins his work. The date will probably be named this week.—Lincoln Star.

SENATOR THOMAS SELLS CALIFORNIA RANCH FOR \$34,500

Purchases a Residence Property in Long Beach, Where He Will Reside.

The following is taken from the Long Beach (Cal.) Daily Telegram of November 8:

Former Senator Thomas of Nebraska, who has been a resident of Long Beach, has disposed of his property in Tulare county to O. W. Weidner of Los Angeles and O. J. Reese and Emery Albertson of Whittier. The property consists of 548½ acres of improved ranch land. Included in the sale was Senator Thomas' fine stock of blooded cattle and horses which he brought with him when he came to California. The purchase price is said to be \$34,500. Senator and Mrs. Thomas have purchased a fine home at 835 Elm avenue, paying \$7,000 for the dwelling. They will make their permanent home here, having been attracted by the prospects of future growth of the city and believing that the opening of the Panama canal will mark an epoch in the history of the city. Senator Thomas is gradually disposing of his Colorado and Nebraska holdings and is placing the money in Long Beach investments, so convinced is he of the future of this city.

Mrs. H. T. Batton Sick.

Mrs. H. T. Batton, who has been suffering from an attack of malaria for some time, does not improve as her friends hoped that she would. Mrs. Batton accompanied her husband on his vacation trip to West Virginia some three weeks ago, but took sick before they arrived at their destination and spent the time with two of her sisters at Walker station, while Mr. Batton visited his father and stepmother at West Union. Mr. Batton came home sooner than he had intended on account of Mrs. Batton's health.

Mortality Among the Mallards.

Streight & Barker, the strongest firm of Cass county hunters known to exist during the present century, were on the river again yesterday with their artillery, and to hear the story related by the senior member of the firm there was a high rate of mortality among the water fowl for a brief period. Twenty-three Mallards and one goose bit the icy water of the Old Muddy, the goose lodging in the mush ice and the dog refusing to bring it in. During the short time the hunters were on the river not a fish could be seen in the air, and the parties to whom they had promised catfish for supper were disappointed. This will probably wind up the hunting season for this firm.

BIG SALE OF FALL AND WINTER GOODS

Store of M. Fanger Filled With Many Bargains for the Shrewd and Careful Buyers.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Journal will be found another large advertisement for the Big Challenge Sale of Fall and Winter Goods now going on at the M. Fanger Department Store. Mr. V. Zucker, as manager of this popular Cass county trading center, is sure exerting every effort to supply the people of this county with the best goods in his varied line at the most moderate prices. The goods and prices speak for themselves, and no stock ever carried in Cass county displayed greater buying ability than the one that will be found in this store. Every article is new and seasonable, bought from the large trading centers on the lowest possible margins and are being sold accordingly. Mr. Zucker is deserving of success in this big sale, as he challenges the strongest competition to produce the same quality goods at a lower price. The sale opened last Friday and the goods are moving very rapidly, and even though the weather last Saturday was very unfavorable, he was favored with a large business, and the present week starts out in a like manner. All Mr. Zucker asks is a comparison of the goods with those sold in other places, and he guarantees to duplicate and go all competitors one better on the price.

Funeral of Joseph Sans.

From Monday's Daily.

Notwithstanding the stormy weather of the past forty-eight hours, the funeral of Joseph Sans, the Cass county pioneer, who died at his home near Murray Thursday, was quite largely attended yesterday. The services occurred at 11 o'clock from his late residence and were conducted by Rev. W. A. Taylor of Union. The music consisted of hymns rendered by a choir of Murray singers and were songs familiar to the deceased and favorites of his while in life. The pall-bearers were the four sons of the deceased and his two sons-in-law, namely, Joseph V. Charles, John and Walter Sans and Ted Barrows and Charles Garrison. Interment was made in the Horning cemetery.

63 Years Old Today.

From Tuesday's Daily.

James Seivers, the jolly night watch of the Burlington shops, was more than usually hilarious this morning and had time to stop on his way home and give vent to his joyous mood by singing one of those elegant songs of which Uncle Jim has a great number. He is no slouch when it comes to singing and can do any sort of a stunt of this kind to perfection. The occasion of his mirthfulness this morning, he stated, was the anniversary of his birth, this being the sixty-third recurrence of the important event. About thirty of these years Uncle Jim has spent in Plattsmouth. He is a good story-teller, and if you think you can beat him telling a yarn just try it some day.

Mrs. John Fassbender, who has been in a hospital at Kansas City for several weeks, was able to come home yesterday, and the indications are that she will soon be restored to health.—Nebraska City News.

WILL BE TAKEN TO THE INEBRIATE ASYLUM

Joe Davis, an Old Man, Asks to Be Sent Where He Cannot Get Liquor.

From Tuesday's Daily.

One of the unique incidents in Cass county's inebriate circles occurred yesterday when Joe Davis of Louisville dropped in on Judge Beeson and requested his honor to find a man who would file a complaint against Joe Davis, before the insanity board, charging him with being an inebriate, a fit persons to be restrained at the inebriate asylum at Lincoln. The judge ascertained something of the old man's history from him, and then accompanied the candidate for the asylum to the county attorney's office. A proper complaint was drawn and lodged with the insanity board, and a warrant placed in the hands of J. R. Denison, constable, who had no difficulty in making the arrest.

A hearing was granted the prisoner and Dr. Brendel was notified and came to Plattsmouth at once. On the hearing it developed that the inebriate was born at Antipeton, Maryland, something over sixty-four years ago. That at the age of 34 he had developed an appetite for "booze" shocking to behold, and had taken treatment for the habit thirty years ago at Dwight, Ill., and had the habit broken up at that time, but it had gotten hold of him again and that it was on the increase. He informed the board that he wanted to go to a place where he could not get liquor.

An order was made restraining him at the Lincoln asylum and he is now resting in the Hotel de Manspeaker until such date as the sheriff shall find time to transport him to his permanent quarters at Lincoln.

Settled in New Location.

John Schiappacasse, the popular fruit and confectionary merchant, has gotten nicely located in his new quarters in the Dwyer building on the north side of Main, between Fourth and Fifth streets. The room is large and airy, neatly carpeted with linoleum, and presents an inviting appearance. Mr. Schiappacasse will have plenty of room in his new quarters to handle his large and growing business. The prism glass above the doors and windows throws a fine light to the rear of the room, and his new apartments are modern in every way and convenient for his customers. Drop in and see the new arrangements.

Heating Plants in Iowa.

John Hall returned from Silver City, Iowa, Saturday evening, at which point he has been putting a new heating plant in the fine farm home of W. L. Wilkins, one of the prosperous farmers residing north of Silver City. Mr. Hall could not be working in a better community or among better people than he found at Silver City. The Journal man knows whereof he speaks, for ten years of his life was spent among them. Mr. Hall tells us that he has considerable more of the same line of work to do in that locality.

Joe Wiles Injured.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Joe Wiles, residing in the precinct, had a close call for his life last Sunday while at his barn. One of the men was operating the litter carrier when one of the wires broke, allowing the heavy iron carrier to rebound, striking Mr. Wiles between the eyes, knocking him down and bruising his nose badly. Had the carrier been further away and had it had a longer sweep before striking him there is little doubt but the blow would have proven fatal.

Narrow Escape From Fire.

Union came very near having another fire last Saturday. Along in the afternoon while the wind was blowing a gale from the northwest, an alarm of fire was given from the dwelling of Reese Delaney. The citizens responded promptly and the fire was soon under control. There was small damage to the dwelling. Had the fire gained headway it would have swept about one-fourth of the business portion of the town, as well as several dwellings.