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VERY INTERESTING COUNCIL MEETING

For a Wonder Every Member Was Present and Considerable Business Transacted.

From Tuesday's Daily.

There was not a single member of the city council absent last evening when Mayor Sattler called that body to order and they at once proceeded to get down to business.

Mrs. Handley presented a petition to the council asking permission to construct a private sewer across the alley at her new home, and on motion of Councilman Buttery the prayer of the petitioner was granted, providing proper bond was given the city.

Frank H. Dunbar presented a petition to the council asking that a license be granted him to open and operate a billiard and pool hall in the corner room of the Hotel Riley, which was granted.

The finance committee reported favorably on the following bills against the city, and the clerk was authorized to draw warrants for the various amounts, as follows: Street work, Alvin Jones \$5; Jas. Rehal, \$33.50; W. B. Rishel, \$3.85; Mike McCool, \$13.50; James Wynn, \$24; W. A. Tulene, \$1.80; V. M. Mullis, insurance on city hall, \$15; R. A. Bates, printing, \$16.34; B. G. Wurl, expense October, \$1.50; Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co., phone rent, \$2.50; Nebraska Lighting Co., light at city hall, \$3.78; M. Archer, salary, \$30; I. N. Cummins, burying dog, 50 cents; C. W. Baylor, wood at library, \$3.25; Olive Jones, salary, \$35; public library, expense, \$2.95; John Bauer, repairing furnace at library, \$7; James Donnelly, salary, \$4.50; Ben Rainey, salary, \$65; Henry Trout, salary, \$50; Weyrich & Hadraba, supplies, \$5.08; L. G. Larson, work at city hall, \$3; J. A. Schulhof, work city hall, \$3.80; Warga & Cecil, work and one lamp at city hall, 60 cents; Nebraska Lighting Co., street lights, \$129.20; Nebraska Lighting Co., light library, \$2.50; John Fitzpatrick, salary merchants' police, \$10.

The chief of police reported 11 arrests, some of whom were released, while others were fined. This was referred to the police committee.

The city clerk reported the following amounts collected for the month of October: M. Fanger, occupation tax, \$10; George Lushinsky, payment on sidewalk, \$18.25; H. L. Johnson, occupation tax, \$5; Miss Carrie Greenwald, occupation tax, \$5; M. E. Manspeaker, occupation tax, \$5; Dr. E. W. Cook, occupation tax, \$5; Robert Harris, cemetery lot, \$10; Q. K. Parmele, occupation tax, \$5. This report was referred to the finance committee.

City Treasurer Fricke reported the condition of the city finances, with the amounts in the various funds, as follows:

Fund—	Warrants Paid.	Balance Oct. 31
Building	\$ 125.90	\$ 47.93
General	253.44	650.36
Road	652.98	790.25
Fire Dept.	18.95	23.52
Library	50.75	54.86
Park	60.00	60.05
Police	120.20	34.08
Fire Hydrant		
Rental	810.00	162.64
Lighting	129.29	34.08
Interest		4,280.04
Cemetery	23.00	282.26
Dog		123.25
Business Tax	48.10	1,901.93
Sinking		1,475.11
Gen. School	744.14	925.03
Teachers	1,753.33	354.54
Paving Dist.		
No. 3		147.37

Balance Oct. 31, 1912, less overdraft of \$2, \$130.52, \$86,089.52. * Denotes overdraft.

The report of the police judge was read and referred to the police committee.

The claims committee reported favorably upon the following claims and recommended that they be paid: L. G. Larson, labor, \$20.40; Albert Scuttler, labor, \$1.25; C. Boetel, burying dog, 50

cents; Waterman Lumber Co., material at city hall, \$115.80.

The city attorney reported that on the claims of Surveyor Patterson for \$27.50 and \$28.50 he had been unable to ascertain just whether they should be paid or not and recommended that they be referred back to the claims committee for action, and on motion of Lushinsky the committee was authorized to investigate further into the matter.

The city attorney also gave an opinion in regard to the ownership of the land east of the city and stated that after investigating the matter he believed the city had the ownership of the land under the patent given them from the United States government and that the land that had accumulated in the course of time also would belong to the city as the owners of the adjoining property. He also recommended that a surveyor be employed to survey the land in order that the city might be prepared to take steps to recover possession of the land. On motion of Richey the matter was referred to the judiciary committee to secure an engineer and have the land surveyed.

Councilman Buttery asked to have some bad holes in the alley back of Joseph Hadraba's place fixed, as well as some places on Thirteenth street, that made it almost impossible for a team to get over. The sidewalk in front of the Ramsey and Fitzgerald places was in bad shape and the street commissioner was instructed to notify the owners of the property to repair same at once.

Councilman Richey made a motion that there be a special committee appointed to look after the matter of the city taking their census in order to see if there was sufficient population to allow the city to adopt the commission form of government if they so desired. The mayor appointed as such committee Richey, Johnson and Patterson.

The finance committee recommended that the council transfer \$300 from the business tax fund to the road fund to cover overdrafts, and \$1,000 to the general fund and \$250 to the building fund to cover the overdrafts against these funds. The business tax is constantly receiving money into it while the other funds are not and it is a matter of good business to pursue this course.

After adopting several matters of street work the council adjourned.

PRESBYTERIAN LADIES AUXILIARY HAVE A MEETING

From Wednesday's Daily.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. C. C. Parmele yesterday afternoon. The ladies held a very interesting business session, at which time Mrs. J. B. Martin was elected president. Another feature of this business session were the plans and arrangements for the Rally supper, to be given in the church parlors on next Wednesday evening, November 20. Arrangements were also made for the corn-flake demonstration, which the ladies of this organization will conduct in six of the stores this afternoon. The remainder of the afternoon was very pleasantly whiled away in social conversation and stitching on dainty fancy work. Delicious refreshments were provided by the hostess, after which the ladies dispersed, voting this meeting an excellent one and extending their warmest thanks to Mrs. Parmele for her kind hospitality.

Returns From Canada.

From Wednesday's Daily. Sheriff C. D. Quinton returned last evening from Canada, where he had been for about one week visiting the provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. When the sheriff reached that country he found snow covering the ground to the depth of a foot and a half, which was followed by a rain, making the traveling anything but comfortable, and he was glad to get back to the land of sunshine—old Nebraska.

Journal for fancy Stationery.

RECEPTION TENDERED NEW PARISH PRIEST

Home of Mr. and Mrs. Dr. E. W. Cook Beautifully Decorated in Honor of Event.

From Friday's Daily.

Last evening the ladies of St. Luke's parish tendered a reception to the new rector, the Rev. Allan G. Wilson, and his charming wife, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Edwin W. Cook, which was attended by about 200 persons and was one of the most delightful social events in the history of the city. The Cook home was one mass of flowers, the rooms and stairways being banked with the most beautiful specimens of the floral kingdom, the largest amount of which had been donated by Mr. L. A. Moore. The decorations certainly attested the artistic taste of the committee of ladies who had this matter in charge. The committee consisted of Mesdames Henry Herold, T. P. Livingston, N. C. Abbott, T. B. Bates and Miss Mia Gering, and they can certainly feel proud of the beautiful results of their handiwork.

The guests on arriving were received by the host and hostess, Dr. and Mrs. Cook, the Rev. Wilson and wife, Senior Warden W. R. White and wife, J. H. Thrasher and wife, George Dodge and wife, C. G. Fricke and wife and G. H. Falter and wife. The guests were ushered into the dining room by a committee consisting of Mesdames Anna Britt, Henry Herold, E. W. Cook, V. V. Leonard, Mrs. R. F. Patterson, Mrs. Eva Reese and Mrs. Alice Eaton, and as one entered the room they were struck by the great beauty of the decorations of pink and white and the handsome appearance the ladies made with their evening costumes and the table which was laden with the delicious luncheon. The table was decorated with a beautiful basket of pink roses and candles with pink shades, which made a scene worthy of fairyland.

The guests were served by the most charming young ladies of the church in a delightful manner, the Misses Edna Peterson, Verna Hatt, Barbara Clement, Violet Dodge, Ethel Ballance and Gretchen and Marie Donnelly having this in charge. The ladies who presided at the coffee urn deserve great credit for the splendid manner in which the guests were served with the delicious coffee, the committee having this in charge consisting of Mesdames R. W. Clement, F. L. Cummins, R. A. Bates, Miss Dora Fricke and Mrs. J. H. Donnelly.

This reception to the new rector and his wife certainly attested the high regard in which the church membership held them and made them feel delighted that they had decided to make their home in this city, where they had been so royally received, not only by their parishioners, but the general public as well. The great success of the reception is due to a large extent to Miss Barbara Gering, who had the matter in charge, and who labored so hard to make it the delightful occasion that it was.

CELEBRATES HER FIFTEENTH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

From Tuesday's Daily.

In response to invitations issued, a number of young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hadraba last evening to assist their daughter, Helen, celebrate her fifteenth birthday anniversary. Games of all kinds, interspersed with music, both vocal and instrumental, were indulged in. A feature of the evening's entertainment was fishing for peanuts, in which much merriment was had. The winner of the first prize was Miss Edna Morrison, while the booby prize was awarded to Miss Sophia Bild. Refreshments were served at a late hour, which was enjoyed by all. The guests then departed for their homes, wishing Miss Helen many more such happy birthdays. Many gifts were received and about fifteen guests were present.

Feeling Much Improved.

From Tuesday's Daily. William J. Streight and George Becker were visitors in Omaha Sunday, where they visited with H. J. Streight at the hospital. They report that he is improving and feeling much better, which will be pleasing news indeed to his many friends in this city. Mr. Streight is quite advanced in years, but has borne up under his sickness in splendid shape.

THE WAY TO WARD OFF THE BLUES

Pin Your Mind to Your Daily Task So Hard You Won't Have Time to Get the Blues.

There are a lot of people in this world who seem to take a fiendish delight in being miserable and in making others feel that way, too. Some men, and some women, too, surround themselves with an atmosphere of gloom that eternal sunshine couldn't dispel, and through this distorting medium molehills grow to mountains and there are tears and groans where there should be smiles. They wake up in the morning with a face that looks like a sodden doughnut, and perhaps the sun is bright and the birds are singing. They will grumble and say, "Oh, well, this won't last; we'll have bad weather yet before night." And should the sky grow clouded and a refreshing rain moisten the thirsty earth, they shout in glee, "I told you so." When they sit down to breakfast they almost sour the cream they put in the coffee, and the most tempting breakfast does them about as much good as a carpet tack sandwich would. They grow dyspeptic, morose, pessimistic, cynical, hypochondriacal and get to be downright nuisances. If you ever get to feeling blue about things stop and think what it will mean if you keep it up, and then pin your mind so hard on your daily task that there isn't room for another thing in your head. That's the way to keep the haunting spirit of pessimism and despondency out of your heart. And remember the world has no time to listen to your troubles, for everyone has troubles of his own, and the chances are that a good many have a great deal heavier burdens to bear than you have.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO LADY NEAR GREENWOOD

From Wednesday's Daily.

A special from Greenwood, under date of November 12, contains the following in reference to a serious accident: A serious accident occurred on the farm home of Rineholt Woitsel, five miles east of here, yesterday morning. Mrs. Woitsel took a lighted lantern and a bucket she had just emptied of water and was dipping carbide out of the can and putting it into the bucket. Gas generated from the dampness in the bucket and ignited, supposedly from the lantern, flashed up, badly burning her arms and face and, it is feared, ruined her eyesight. Mr. Woitsel is in Dakota, but has been reached by telegram. The building did not catch fire.

RILEY HOTEL POOL HALL IS READY FOR BUSINESS

The new pool hall that is being placed in the corner room of the Hotel Riley presents a very handsome appearance and is being equipped with the latest improved tables and fixtures and the lights have been especially arranged for convenience. It will certainly be a splendid place to enjoy a social game of pool. The proprietor, F. H. Dunbar, has fixed the room up in good shape and expects to cater only to the best of trade.

THE BIENNIAL ELECTION AMENDMENT

A Very Hard Matter to Tell What This Amendment Really Means.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The state of Nebraska has played a practical joke on itself by adopting an amendment to the constitution without reading it or making any effort to ascertain exactly what it meant. Witness the second amendment, just adopted. A liberal reward will be paid to any reader who can tell what this extraordinary amendment means, says the Lincoln Journal.

Section 1. (Amendment proposed.) That section five (5) of article six (6) of the constitution of the state of Nebraska be amended to read as follows:

Section 5. (Election Judges Supreme Court.) That at the general election to be held in the state of Nebraska in the year 1916, and each six years thereafter, there shall be elected three (3) judges of the supreme court, who shall hold their office for the period of six (6) years; that at the general election to be held in the state of Nebraska in the year 1918, and each six years thereafter there shall be elected three (3) judges of the supreme court, who shall hold their office for the period of six (6) years; and at the general election to be held in the state of Nebraska in the year 1920 and each six (6) years thereafter there shall be elected a chief justice of the supreme court, who shall hold his office for the period of six (6) years. Provided, that the member of the supreme court whose term of office expires in January, 1914, shall be chief justice of the supreme court during that time until the expiration of his term of office.

Section 2. (Amendment proposed.) That section thirteen (13) of article sixteen (16) of the constitution of the state of Nebraska as found in the compiled statutes of Nebraska for 1909, section thirteen (13) of article eighteen (18) of Cobby's Annotated Statutes for 1909, be amended to read as follows:

Section 13. (General election, when held.) The general election of this state shall be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November in the year 1914 and every two years thereafter. All state, district, county, precinct and township officers, by the constitution or laws made elective by the people, except school district officers, and municipal officers in cities, villages and towns, shall be elected at a general election to be held as aforesaid. Judges of the supreme, district and county courts, all elective county and precinct officers, and all other elective officers, the time for the election of whom is not herein otherwise provided for, and which are not included in the above exception, shall be elected on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November, 1913, and thereafter at the general election next preceding the time of the termination of their respective term of office. Provided, that no office shall be vacated thereby, but the incumbent thereof shall hold over until his successor is duly elected and qualified.

In County Court.

From Wednesday's Daily.

In the county court yesterday afternoon a hearing was had upon the probate of the will of the late Charles Swan, sr., and Winfield Swan, son of the deceased, was appointed executor of the estate. The deceased was one of the prominent pioneers of Liberty precinct and was quite wealthy.

Ernest Pfeiffer Here.

Ernest Pfeiffer of Oelwein, Iowa, arrived last evening for a visit with his aunt, Mrs. Paul Gering and family. Mr. Pfeiffer has not been in this city for about four years and his many friends were delighted to meet him, as he made a great many friends during the time he was in the drug store of Gering & Co., which position he left about fourteen years ago.

To Enjoy Vacation.

From Wednesday's Daily. A. W. Atwood and wife departed this morning for an extended tour of the east before they return to their home at Lorton, Neb. They expect to visit St. Louis, Chicago, Niagara Falls, Buffalo and New York City. On the return trip Mrs. Atwood will stop in Jacksonville, Illinois, for a short visit with relatives.

TEACHERS VISIT THE STOCK YARDS

Stock Yards Folks Succeed in Showing Nebraska Teachers a Good Time.

From Wednesday's Daily.

If the expressions of the teachers who took the trip to the yards last week count for anything they all had a good time and learned a whole lot about the greatest industry in Nebraska, says the Drovers' Stockman Journal.

The stock yards folks and the packers had made elaborate preparations for their reception and as fast as the teachers arrived they were taken in charge by competent guides and shown through the yards and packing houses. The inspection was necessarily brief, but courteous attendants everywhere gave the visitors a pretty good general idea of the magnitude and importance of the business transacted here.

Returning to the Exchange building the teachers were tendered a substantial buffet lunch in the big dining room. It was some little stunt to take care of the 2,200 teachers during the brief time at their disposal here, but Manager Frye had spread himself and everything moved off nicely from start to finish.

During the serving of the lunch, from 3 to 5 o'clock, the Fourth Infantry band from Fort Crook gave a concert in the rotunda that was thoroughly enjoyed. This is one of the very best bands in Uncle Sam's army and the soldier boys seemed to enter into the spirit of the occasion, their program including numbers to suit all tastes from the purest classical to the latest musical comedy.

Superintendent H. M. Graham of South Omaha, who was largely responsible for inducing the teachers to include a visit to the stock yards in the program of entertaining the Nebraska association, was enthusiastic in his praise of the treatment accorded the visitors. "The visit was both educational and enjoyable," said Mr. Graham. "You folks at the yards certainly know how to do big things and do them right. The courtesies shown the teachers, that splendid lunch and that magnificent music earned the expressions of pleasure and gratitude that I heard on all sides. It was indeed a great occasion and if the vote on the location of the next annual meeting had been held last evening South Omaha would have been the practically unanimous choice for the 1913 session."

YOUNG LADY TEACHER MINUS TWO VERY VALUABLE RINGS

From Wednesday's Daily.

One of our young lady school teachers, who attended the Nebraska Teachers' association meeting at Omaha last week, is not feeling very jubilant over her trip to that city. While in Omaha she visited the Y. W. C. A. building and had occasion to remove two rings, which she wore and which were quite valuable. When she was ready to replace them on her hand she discovered that they had disappeared, and although a very thorough search was made, no trace could be found of them and the young lady had to return home minus the glittering gems that had been so highly prized by her.

Marshall, Dentist, Coates block.