

# CITY COUNCIL IN LONG SESSION LAST EVENING

### A Long, Lingering Session, Attended With Great Interest and at Times Considerable "Hot Air."

The city council last evening was tied up for over three hours in one of the most long-winded sessions they have held for some time, and it was nearing 11:30 before the city legislators were able to seek their downy couches after fighting the heat and the large amount of business that demanded their attention at this time.

In the matter of the communications and petitions on the matter of the public library, including one with 319 names, to have the library located west of Sixth street, on the suggestion of Mayor Richey these were turned over to the park and improvement committee to save time in getting started on the usual grind of business.

City Attorney Tidd, in a communication to the council, informed that body that in his opinion of the law the contractor on the work in curbing and guttering would be liable for the work done by him, but that if the property owners and taxpayers who were interested in the matter were willing to accept the work as it was without the approval of the engineer, then he thought the city could go ahead, as the written consent of the citizens was a guarantee that they would not cause any trouble if the work proved defective in any way.

The question of a new safe was also brought up, and on motion of Mr. Patterson, the city clerk was authorized to go ahead and have a safe ordered such as had been contemplated that would care for the books and documents of the city in case of fire, and he pointed out to the council the fact that in case of loss of the records by fire the city would be decidedly up against it in replacing the records.

L. M. Wilshimer and son presented a brief communication to the council in which they stated that they had become the owners of several pieces of Plattsburgh property and expected this fall to move here in order to improve their holdings, and that to rid them they would appreciate if the city would allow some of the surplus dirt which will be moved from High School Hill to be used in making a fill on the lot owned by them at Twelfth and Main streets, and on which they desired to erect a suitable residence. The communication also pointed out the advantages that would come to the city from opening up Vine street from Eighth to Tenth, and the dirt used in the new sewer work. The Messrs. Wilshimer have several lots in this locality on which they desire to build and therefore are awaiting some action by the city that will open up a street through there that will allow them to go ahead with their work.

There were a number of sidewalk petitions asking for grades which would allow the residents to go ahead and put in the walk, and these were allowed by the council and the work will be carried out as fast as possible. The petition of George E. Perry and eleven others for the extension of the water mains on Lincoln avenue, which had been turned back to the petitioners, was again presented, with the corrections, and turned back to the fire and water committee for correction.

R. L. Propst presented a petition asking permission to operate a new roller skating rink in his garage building at Seventh and Vine streets, and on motion the same was granted and will be effective on July 1st.

The streets, alleys and bridges committee presented their report covering the extension of the storm sewer on Washington avenue and embodied in their report that they had met with the board of county commissioners, who had agreed to build a culvert across Eighth street to replace the present bridge, and which would be in line with the plans of the sewer extension as proposed by the city and which would add materially to the work of the city in putting in the new sewer. The committee then recommended the contract be let to the Concrete Construction company, the lowest bidder.

Councilman Bestor of the streets committee stated that the county would appropriate the sum of \$750 to replace the two bridges on Washington avenue that lay in the proposed sewerage extension district, and replace the old wooden bridges with concrete culverts and make it easier to push the extension work. Mayor Richey, in explaining the situation to Councilman Buttery and

a number of the other members of the council, stated that the county appropriated this sum in recognition of the city agreeing to take care of the bridge on Tenth street for two years, and also the Seventeenth street bridge, and this would allow them to place the sewer up to and including the small bridge near the ice houses on the avenue and give them 116 feet additional sewer. On motion of Buttery the committee was authorized to go ahead with the work of extending the sewer one hundred feet or more, as they found necessary and were able.

The streets, alleys and bridges committee also reported that the work in curb and gutter district No 8 be accepted, as all but one of the property owners had signed a statement accepting the work, and that a bond be provided for by the contractor to protect the work as to its satisfactory construction and service. This bond in the sum of \$1,000 was then read and approved by the council, and on motion the mayor and clerk were authorized to issue warrants for the sum due the contractors on the job and in compliance with the contract made by the city.

Councilman Harris reported that the streets in the cemetery were in bad shape and asked that the grader be used there to take up the work of fixing these streets.

The lighting committee, through Councilman Lushinsky, its chairman, asked that the meter installed be continued for the present to allow a more thorough investigation and to let the light company discover what loss there might be from current loss. From June 1st to June 28th, the average cost of the lights to the city had been \$3.51 per night, or 44 cents per hour for all the lights used by the city in all its lights, which was considerably less than the amount appropriated by the council, and the committee thought that a further investigation of the matter should be made. The request of the committee for further time was granted.

Councilman Buttery of the police committee reported that Chief of Police Barclay had investigated the feeding of city prisoners and Messrs. Drum & Palmer, the restaurant proprietors, had agreed to furnish meals at the sum of 15 cents per meal, the same to be prepared in baskets and taken to the jail. The proposition was accepted and this firm awarded the contract for furnishing the meals to the city jail.

The ordinance for the prescribing of the size and material of which bases for monuments in Oak Hill cemetery were to be constructed was read and laid over for its third reading. The council indulged in a few minutes' recess while the streets, alleys and bridges committee investigated the bids for sidewalks and crossings, and they reported back the recommendation that the contract be let to the Concrete Construction company, and also that the sectional crossing be done away with in the future, as they were not satisfactory. This report was accepted and the contract awarded as recommended.

Councilman Bestor stated that the streets committee, on investigating the Seventeenth street bridge, found that there were two bridges within a very few feet of each other, and it would require quite a sum to place the one in repair and he therefore recommended that the city lease or purchase ground of the property owners there that would allow the doing away with one of the bridges now in use. The recommendation was accepted and the streets, alleys and bridges committee, together with Councilman Bajock, were selected by the mayor to look after the securing of the land, if possible.

Councilman Bestor asked that the street commissioner be instructed to start in on the work of moving the dirt from High School Hill, as the curb and gutter had been completed and the street was in need of being put in proper shape.

Councilman Buttery thought that the work should be let by contract, as the street commissioner was quite busy with other work.

Councilmen Bestor and Lushinsky both agreed that the commissioner had plenty to do, but thought that it was cheaper to have the commissioner do the work, as he knew best where to dispose of the dirt and there were a number of places where it could be used for filling to advantage. This view of the matter was also taken by Councilman Shea, and the commissioner ordered to go ahead and do the work.

Councilman Lushinsky called the attention of the council to the fact that the time limit set by the council for the construction of a permanent walk east of the William Holly building had long since expired and he moved that the city attorney be instructed to take steps to see that the walk was put in and the procedure necessary to follow. Councilman Bajock stated that Mr. Holly had a number of contractors figuring on the

job, but had reached no agreement so far with these contractors. City Attorney Tidd stated that it would be necessary to get estimates on the work and to have the council set as a board of equalization on the matter. This was finally decided upon and the attorney authorized to go ahead.

The library question was brought to the fore by Councilman Bestor who moved that the estimate of the city for \$3,000 for a library site be reconsidered and taken from the annual estimate of the city and a special levy be made for what money might be necessary for a site for the Carnegie library.

City Attorney Tidd stated that under the rules of law one item could not be taken from the estimate unless the whole estimate was withdrawn and a new one prepared, as it would raise a question as to whether there could be any of the estimates made in the levy be made legal.

This provoked quite a long-winded discussion of the rights of the council and the library board, in which the city attorney read the statutes giving the library board the right to secure a site and supervise the construction of the building, as well as the time for making the annual estimate of the city and the levy for the year.

Councilman Lushinsky thought as the library board was subordinate to the council that the council should have the power to purchase a site on which to erect a library, and that he thought the people should have a voice in the matter, as there had been a great many petitions on the subject. This was also the sentiment of Councilman Bajock of the Second ward.

The mayor, Councilman Bestor of the Third ward and the city attorney indulged in quite a length discussion of the matter, as to the city being allowed to recall its appropriation, and the city attorney informed the council that under the law the council would be compelled to levy an appropriation for the library, as has been the custom.

On motion of Buttery a resolution was passed by the council that it was the sense of the council that the library building be located west of Sixth street.

The finance committee of the council reported the following claims, which were ordered paid by the council: Peters & Richards, 108 feet of sidewalk, \$16.28; Peters & Richards, 624 feet of sidewalk, \$68.68; Peters & Richards, paving under subway, \$181.65; Frank Kulasek, street work, \$2; John Zitka, same, \$14; Ed Snodgrass, same, \$16; Harrison Sheldon same, \$16.80; William Hiner, same, \$17.80; Charles McBride, same, \$23.40; Lambert Lister, same, \$24.53; Q. K. Parmele, same, \$35.00; Joe Koubeck, same, \$38; Mike Lutz, same, \$36; G. Claussen, secretary fire department, salary, \$6.25; Max Pries, salary, foreman fire department, \$6.25; W. H. Mason, same, \$6.25; Emil Stanek, same, \$6.25; Henry Lahoda, same, \$6.25; James Kressek, same, \$6.25; A. F. Braun, same, \$6.25; Warga & Schulzke, repairs city hall, 59 cents; Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company, rent, \$3; Ed Svoboda, work at cemetery, \$4; Matthew Staska, same, \$4; L. N. Cummings, burying two dogs, \$1; Claus Boetel, same, \$1; M. E. Manspeaker, street sprinkling, \$38.

At the late hour of 11:15 the wearied councilmen wended their way homeward, having finished a hard night's work.

## MRS. MARTHA HIATT OF SIDNEY IOWA VISITING RELATIVES

Mrs. Martha Hiatt of Sidney, Iowa, is enjoying a short visit in this city at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Frank Gobelman, as well as at Murray with Mr. and Mrs. M. Hiatt and L. D. Hiatt and wife. Mrs. Hiatt is one of the pioneers of Sidney, as she and her husband assisted in laying out the present town site, and have made their home there for years. She is 85 years of age and quite active, despite her advanced years, and is enjoying greatly the visit here with her relatives. She expects to return from Murray this evening and will enjoy a short stay here before returning to her home at Sidney.

Hon. C. S. Wortman of Clarence, Oklahoma, and former county superintendent of schools of Cass county, was here today, together with his father, C. S. Wortman, sr., and his brother, J. E. Wortman, and his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Richards, and Mrs. E. E. Berns, all of Iowa City, Iowa.

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Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*

## WHAT PLATTSMOUTH NEEDS VERY BADLY IS A SHOW GROUND

From Wednesday's Daily. As was mentioned some time ago, one of the great needs in this city is a suitable tract of land whereon circuses, large tent shows or large open air gatherings could be held, and this fact is becoming more and more evident as time goes on and the city is forced to pass up many attractions that would otherwise be more than pleased to come here and provide amusement and entertainment for the residents of the city. Such sites as would be desirable are very scarce, but there are several in the northwest part of the city that might be utilized in this manner, and certainly would be a feature that would undoubtedly assist materially in bringing here many features that recognize the town as one of the best in the state, but are unable to come here on account of the lack of proper grounds. Just what could be found in the way of a large tract of land should be looked up by the public-spirited citizens and some steps taken to try and secure them, if possible to do so. Other cities have added much to their town in this way and it certainly could be possible here if the proper efforts were put forth.

## ENTERTAINMENT FOR PEOPLE FROM THE COUNTRY SATURDAY

From Wednesday's Daily. The entertainment committee of the Commercial club has just closed arrangements for the holding of two balloon ascensions on next Saturday on the occasion of the Saturday program of entertainment for the visitors to the city, and this feature should be a good drawing card in addition to other entertainment provided by the citizens and Commercial club. The first ascension will be made at 11 o'clock in the morning and the second at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and will be staged by a gentleman from the Twin City Amusement company of Council Bluffs, and who has been very successful in his work in this line this season.

At 2 o'clock the weekly band concert will be given on the street and will furnish enjoyment for an hour or two for the residents of the city and visitors from the country and will be one of the most pleasing features of the afternoon.

There will be a base ball game at the Red Sox park at 3 o'clock between one of the leading teams of Omaha and the Sox, which will prove a good attraction for those who enjoy a good ball game, and the program should prove an excellent one throughout, and with the attractions placed so as to give everyone an opportunity of enjoying it.

The ladies from the country, when tired can be accommodated at the rest room in the Hotel Riley block, which has been fitted up nicely for the accommodation of the visitors and fills a long-felt want in this line.

The citizens of Plattsburgh extend a hearty invitation to all those from out in the county to come in and participate in the afternoon's enjoyment and assure them a hearty welcome to the city and the opportunity for everyone to get better acquainted.

## G. A. RUTLEDGE, EDITOR NE-HAWKA NEWS, MAKES CALL

From Wednesday's Daily. Mr. Glenn A. Rutledge, the new publisher of the Nehawka News, was in the city Saturday for the first time and we were very much pleased to enjoy a pleasant call at this office from him. Mr. Rutledge is giving the citizens of Nehawka the brightest and neatest-appearing paper they have ever had and he has the true spirit of push and energy that well befits this thriving little city and should receive hearty support in his newspaper, as he well deserves it. Mr. Rutledge has just installed a new cylinder press in his office that will be used hereafter to print the News upon and give a much better opportunity to produce a first-class newspaper than was possible under the previous conditions.

### OPENING TOMORROW NIGHT.

Knorr's Variety Store will have its grand opening tomorrow evening from 7 to 9 o'clock, for inspection only, and everyone is invited to call and get acquainted. Leave your pocketbooks at home, as there will be nothing doing in the sales line. Flowers for the ladies and music for everyone. At the Tvey building on Sixth street.

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White Silk Sox 25c  
Ivory Garters 25c

We close July 5th at noon and during July and August at 6 P. M.

# C. E. Wescott's Sons

Everybody's Store

**MRS. CHARLES GREEN UNDERGOES OPERATION AT OMAHA**

Yesterday morning at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha Mrs. Charles Green was compelled to undergo a very serious operation that it is hoped will bring her relief from an illness of several months' duration. At first it was feared that Mrs. Green was suffering from tuberculosis, but later examination determined the necessity of the operation, and it is thought this will prove successful in giving her relief.

**A Rare Opportunity.**

The Knorr Variety Store will open for business Saturday morning at 10 o'clock and rare bargains will be offered to the public. Call and see what you are offered in the line of rare opportunities of good goods at low prices. All clean and new stock.

**SOCIAL DANCE**

will be given at Coates' hall by the Cosmopolitan club Saturday night, July 3d. Everybody cordially invited to attend. Good order and a good time for everybody. Music by Holly's orchestra.

**UNCLAIMED LETTER LIST.**

From Tuesday's Daily. The following is the list of letters remaining unclaimed at the Plattsburgh postoffice at the close of business Monday, June 28, 1915, and if not called for by July 12th will be sent to the dead letter office:

Mr. M. Buckley.  
Mr. H. M. Monson.  
Mr. Harry J. Sharp.  
Mr. J. Simon.

D. C. MORGAN, Postmaster.  
Charlie Reihart of Louisville was here today looking after some matters of business for a few hours.

**HANDSOME SHOW WINDOW AT C. E. WESCOTT'S SONS STORE**

The west window of the C. E. Wescott's Sons store has been arranged in a very handsome manner in commemoration of national birthday and the settings of the window are both artistic and patriotic. Flags are displayed, as well as shields bearing the national colors, while in the foreground of the window a large and handsome picture of President Woodrow Wilson occupies the center of the display. The fine suits of summer texture and Panama and straw hats are placed on display in a pleasing manner by the talented window dresser of the establishment, Leonard Meisinger.

**Platform Dance Saturday Night.**

A Platform Dance will be held at the Koukal Grove next Saturday evening, July 3d. Good music and a good time is assured. Everybody invited. Roy Younker will convey you to and from the dance for 15 cents a single passenger and 25 cents per couple. Autos will start from the corner of Sixth and Main, near the Riley hotel. 7-1-1td-1tw

Don't use harsh physics. The reaction weakens the bowels, leads to chronic constipation. Get Doan's Regulets. They operate easily. 25c at all stores.

# Never Before Such Shirt Value for \$1.00

Saturday morning, July 3rd, we will place on sale 24 dozen brand-new shirts, including neckband, soft cuff and starched cuff styles, featuring the popular novelty stripe patterns, guaranteed no-fade fabrics. By taking advantage of an opportune offer from a large shirt maker, we are enabled to sell you these shirts that are worth not less than \$1.50 and the greater part of which are \$1.75 and \$2.00 values, for the popular price of... **\$1.00**

We don't care what you do with the 75c you save on every one of these bargain shirts. Celebrate the 4th with it; spend it for whatever gives you the most pleasure.

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FINE LINEN CLOTHES

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