

CITY COUNCIL HAS A BUSY SESSION

Abolish Assistant Chief of Police and Elect F. W. Elliott Merchants' Night Police—Reports of City Officials.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The regular session of the board of aldermen of the city was the chief attraction at the city hall last night and every member was present when the mayor called the lawmakers together. The meeting was not filled with a great deal of importance, save from the shaking up of the police department, which resulted in abolishing the office of assistant chief of police and making the merchants' police the sole guardian of the law at night over the city, and the council selected F. W. Elliott to fill that position to succeed P. A. McCrary, who has been on the force since last August.

A petition was received from Fred Prohaska and a number of other residents along west Oak street, in which they asked that the water service be extended to that thoroughfare to give them fire protection in the future. Councilman Weber, in whose ward the petitioners reside, stated that while he was not in a position to judge whether the city could afford to extend the fire hydrant service out as far as the petitioners desired, he favored some kind of service as they resided on the way to the cemetery, and in his opinion city water in Oak Hill cemetery was very badly needed, as the wells there were not sufficient and a great many who visited the cemetery, especially children, were in the habit of drinking the water, which was very unhealthful. On motion the petition was turned over to the fire and water committee, in conjunction with the cemetery committee, to investigate and report at the next session of the council.

Chief of Police Barclay reported that during April there had been fifteen arrests, twelve had paid fines, two had been worked out, and one had left the city. This report was turned over to Councilman Buttery, who presides over the police committee.

City Clerk Wurga reported that during the month past he had gathered in the sum of \$234.95, which had been turned over to the city treasurer to assist in the running of our government in the city.

The report of Chief Field of the fire department included two recommendations, one for the purchase of new wheel straps for cart No. 2, and one that the city erect a suitable tower at the city hall grounds which could be used for drying hose and also, on which a fire bell might be placed if needed. This report was handed over to Councilman Johnson and the fire and water committee to look over and report upon later.

From the report received from Police Judge Archer, the month of April had been a very successful one as the sum of \$74.50 had been collected and turned over to the city.

The judiciary committee through Councilman Mauzy, the chairman, reported on the claim of Attorney C. A. Rawls for \$300 for services in the case of Edward Fitzgerald, et al. vs the city of Plattsmouth, and found that the claim was reasonable for the amount involved in the litigation and recommended that the city attorney proceed to bring suit against the plaintiffs in the case to recover the cost of the fees. On motion of Councilman Johnson the bill was allowed and the city attorney instructed to take steps to sue for the recovery of the fees from the parties who had brought the suit against the city.

The streets, alleys and bridges committee reported on the matter of the petition of Eben Barker and others asking for the widening of West Vine street and recommended that the street be widened and grades in proper shape. This was later referred back to the committee to investigate the title of Frank Slavicek to a part of the land that would be included in the street.

In the matter of the petition of Charles Hula for a crossing for his use across Oak street, the committee reported that the city could not construct a crossing at the place desired, but that the city would allow Mr. Hula to go ahead and put in a crossing.

The estimate and plans for the sewer on Chicago avenue was then read

and the cost estimated at \$2,650 to complete the extension from Granite street to Rock street, including the fill for the ditch. This amount will be forthcoming from the sewer levy as well as the amount received from the county for the replacing of the bridge on Rock street, and will cover the cost of the same. On motion the plans and specifications and estimates were adopted with Councilman Buttery voting no.

Councilman Bestor called the attention of the council to the fact that in a number of places in the paving in District No. 11 there were low places, where water stood after a rain, and he desired to have the contractor notified to have the pavement laid so as to allow a drain in proper shape, and that action be taken at once, before the bond of the contractor expired. This was adopted. Councilman Bestor also stated that the cobblestones that joined with the brick paving in District 11 were in need of being relaid and that the city should have this looked after. On motion it was agreed to have a bricklayer employed to replace the cobbles in proper shape.

The fire and water committee reported on the request of F. R. Gobelman for permission to paint the street sprinkler and keep it in proper shape if he was allowed to place his ad upon it, and the committee reported that they were not in favor of allowing any private individual to advertise their business through the city. On motion of Councilman Luschinsky the report was adopted and the committee authorized to go ahead and secure bids on having the street sprinkler painted as soon as possible.

Councilman Luschinsky reported that he had interviewed the management of the light company in regard to a petition of the residents of South Park for the extension of light service to their locality, and that the company had agreed to extend the service as soon as possible.

Mayor Sattler in discussing the light question stated that on two Saturday evenings the lights all over the city had been out of service and greatly to the annoyance of the business men and the citizens in general, and that the company should be made to understand that the city and the consumers, who paid a high rate for electricity, were entitled to a dependable service, and that the light company should be prepared to cover such an occasion as the burning out of the transformer, and that one good transformer should be maintained all the time for use in case of emergency, and that if the proper service was not forthcoming the company should be given to understand that the city would secure other means of getting light.

On motion the lighting committee was authorized to take steps to see that the electric service was maintained and to notify the company that there would be no further delay or poor service allowed by the city.

Councilman Buttery stirred up the speeders on the avenues, who, he stated, were in the habit of driving up Washington avenue at a high rate of speed, and as only two were arrested in the past month, he thought that the police should be getting active on this proposition and, if necessary, additional men should be added to nab the joy riders.

Councilman Buttery moved that the city see that a permanent sidewalk was put in in front of the property of Mrs. Kinkaid and T. T. Wilkinson on North Ninth street, which were the only pieces of property that were not fixed out with permanent walk, and the clerk was authorized to notify the property owners that if the walk was not put down the city would go ahead and have the same placed and the cost charged to the property.

Councilman Luschinsky stated that the city had given two grades for sidewalks adjoining the Bach property on Lincoln avenue and Clara street, and that Mr. Bach, as well as other property owners along Clara street, be notified to put in the walks within thirty days or the city would do it for them and tax the cost to the property. This was seconded by Councilman Harris and carried.

Councilman Luschinsky called the attention of the council to the fact that the American flag in Garfield park was in bad shape and the park commissioners should replace it with a new emblem. The board of commissioners were requested to purchase a new flag.

On motion of Councilman Buttery the chief of police was authorized to employ an additional man to look

after the speeders on the avenues if it became necessary.

Councilman Bestor stated that the ladies of the W. C. T. U. had requested permission to replace the barrels at present used for the street intersection markers with tiling, in which they expected to plant a few flowers and which would aid in beautifying the city. On motion this permission was granted.

Applications for pool hall licenses were received from A. M. Arries and F. H. Dunbar, with their checks for \$175 each, as well as one from J. E. McDaniel for \$100 for permission to operate a bowling alley. These applications were all granted.

Mayor Sattler then presented the name of Dr. P. J. Flynn as city physician for the ensuing year, and this was confirmed by the unanimous vote of the council.

Mayor Sattler in taking up the police question stated that as the city would be short several thousand dollars on account of the loss of the saloon license funds and the necessity of maintaining two men on the police force at night was not very great at present, he favored cutting out the office of assistant chief of police and maintaining only the merchants' police, giving him \$30 or \$35 a month in addition to what he collected from the business men.

On motion of Councilman Johnson the office of assistant chief of police was abolished and the salary of the merchants' police raised to \$35 a month.

Mayor Sattler stated that he would present three names to the members of the council and that they could elect whom they saw fit for the vacancy in the force.

The first name presented was that of P. A. McCrary, the present merchants' police, and was defeated by the unanimous vote of the council.

The mayor then presented the name of Alvin Jones for the position and Mr. Jones received the votes of Weber, Buttery, Luschinsky, Harris and Beeson, with Patterson, Mauzy, Bestor, Vordran and Johnson voting no. It being a tie vote and the mayor not being allowed to vote on his own nominations, the nomination was lost.

The name of F. W. Elliott was then presented for the position and was confirmed, Patterson, Mauzy, Bestor, Vordran, Johnson, Luschinsky and Beeson voting for, and Weber, Buttery and Harris voting against.

The "bone dry" city ordinance to conform with the new state law was then read and on motion of the suspension of the rules was passed, after which the members adjourned homeward.

DEATH CALLS MISS HENRIETTA HANSEN

From Tuesday's Daily.

This morning shortly after 7 o'clock the spirit of Miss Henrietta Hansen took its flight into the arms of the Maker, and the sufferings of the unfortunate lady was brought to a close. Miss Hansen had been suffering for some time from a very severe case of inflammatory rheumatism, and for the last few days her condition had been very grave, as the complications following the attack made her recovery doubtful, and the sorrowing mother and brother and sister could only minister with tender hands until the sands in the hourglass of their loved one ran their course and the tender mercy of the Father called her home to rest and peace.

Henrietta Hansen was born March 17, 1868, in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, and there spent a portion of her childhood days, coming to America with her parents forty years ago when the family came to Nebraska and settled in Plattsmouth, where they have since made their home. During the long years of her residence in this community this estimable lady had been devoted to the home and the care of those she held the nearest and dearest, the parents and the brother and sisters, and in this found a great happiness in serving. A devout Christian, Miss Hansen was a member of the Lutheran church and steadfast in this faith until the hour of her death. To mourn the death of this estimable lady there remains the aged mother, Mrs. P. C. Hansen, one brother, P. C. Hansen, jr., of Omaha; Mrs. C. E. Chassott, Wayne, Okla., and Miss Christine Hansen of this city.

Dawson Will Fix It.

JAMES B. TIPTON PASSES AWAY

After Illness of Several Weeks James B. Tipton Passed Away Last Night at Immanuel Hospital in Omaha.

Last night at the Immanuel hospital in Omaha James B. Tipton passed away after an illness of several weeks following a paralytic stroke which he was unable to withstand, and gradually grew weaker until death brought him relief from his suffering. Mr. Tipton had been a resident of Cass county for the past thirty-five years, the greater part of which time he made his home at Cedar Creek, where he was held in the highest esteem by a large circle of friends.

James B. Tipton was born seventy years ago in Howard county, Missouri, and there spent a portion of his boyhood days, later removing with his parents to Lancaster, Schuyler county, Missouri, where the family resided until the close of the civil war. Later when grown to manhood Mr. Tipton resided for a number of years at points in Iowa, and a short time in Arkansas, coming to Nebraska in the early eighties, and had since made his home in Cass county. He was married in Plattsmouth in 1888 to Miss Minnie Miller, who is left to mourn his death. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Tipton resided at Cedar Creek for a number of years, later coming to Plattsmouth, where Mr. Tipton was employed at the Heisel mill as engineer for several years. Since the opening of the Platte river auto and wagon bridge Mr. Tipton has been in charge of the conduct of affairs at the bridge, and was so engaged up to the time of his last illness.

Mr. Tipton was during his lifetime a steadfast member of the democratic party and several times was a candidate for office in the county, carrying the banner of his party during the years when it was a sacrifice on the altar of duty. Of a quiet retiring nature, the departed was devoted to the duties entrusted to him, and to those who were fortunate enough to know him best, he was a strong and steadfast friend, and to the old friends the death comes as a deep loss that only time will heal. To the bereaved wife the deepest sympathy of the entire community will be extended in the loss of a devoted husband and companion.

GREAT BOHEMIAN PLAY AT T. J. SOKOL HALL LAST NIGHT

The Chicago Dramatic Company, one of the leading Bohemian dramatic organizations in the United States, appeared last evening at the T. J. Sokol hall on West Pearl street, presenting the drama, "The Golden Wedding at the Parsonage." This play was one giving the members of the company ample opportunity to display their talents and was enjoyed to the utmost by the audience. This company is composed of finished actors and actresses and their performance was delightful throughout. The play was given in Bohemian. The Chicago company is en tour through the state of Nebraska and is showing in the different towns where there is a large Bohemian population and have already presented two of their attractions in Omaha and expect to play a return engagement in that city, when en route home to the windy city.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL.

From Tuesday's Daily. This afternoon Norris Cummins, who has been at the Methodist hospital in Omaha for the past few weeks recovering from an operation for appendicitis, was able to return home to this city feeling much improved. It had been expected to have Norris return Sunday, but a slight attack of tonsillitis compelled him to remain at the hospital a few days longer.

L. B. Egenberger was among those going to Omaha this morning to spend a few hours at the wholesale houses in that city.

FAMILY IS AROUSED.

From Tuesday's Daily. Last night about the midnight hour the members of the household of J. R. Lee were aroused by a visit of what is supposed to be burglars. The sound of footsteps in the hallway of the house was first heard by the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Lee, and at first little attention was paid to the matter until the boys heard someone prowling around the barn and the sound of voices, which aroused them, and they at once started to investigate the cause of the disturbance. The boys hurriedly dressed and hastened to the barn, but on their arrival there failed to find any sign of disturbance. The rest of the family assisted in the search, but the disturbers were gone before any trace of them could be found.

JOSEPH BECKER IS FATALLY SHOT AT WICHITA, KANSAS

From Tuesday's Daily.

This morning Mrs. Mary B. Allison received a message from Wichita, Kan., announcing that her brother, Joseph T. Becker, had been the victim of a murderous assault in that city last night between 10 and 11 o'clock and that his death was expected as the result of the bullet wounds received at the hands of the unknown assailant. Mr. Becker, it seems, had left his place of business shortly after 10 o'clock and was en route home when he was held up by some unknown party and it seems as though he must have resisted the highwayman, with the result that he was fatally shot. When found after the shooting, Mr. Becker was found to be suffering from a bullet wound in the right temple, and the bullet had buried itself in the brain and at the time of the sending of the message the death of the unfortunate man was thought to be a question of only a few minutes. The highwayman after the shooting had proceeded to take all of the valuables of Mr. Becker, as his pocketbook, diamond stick pin, cuff buttons and a number of valuable papers were removed from his person. The unfortunate man is a brother of Abe Becker, of Union, as well as Mrs. Allison, and was for a number of years a resident of near Union during his boyhood days, and the many friends of the family will regret very much to learn of the tragic event that has caused the fatal injuries to their old friend.

FINED FOR NOT SENDING HIS CHILDREN TO SCHOOL REGULARLY

From Tuesday's Daily.

The state law in regard to the attendance of children at school is very strict and provides penalties for the violation of this section of the statutes that makes it a fineable offence. Under the provision of the law, the county or city superintendent is required to file complaints with the county attorney covering the matter. Yesterday Miss Marquardt filed a complaint against one of the residents of the Cedar Creek neighborhood who have failed to have their children in school two-thirds of the time of the school term as required. The father of the children was brought before Judge Allen J. Beeson in the county court, and, after hearing the facts in the case, the court proceeded to levy a fine of \$5 and costs against the man, which was paid and he was allowed to return home.

The stiffness of the law in regard to school attendance makes it a serious matter to keep the young people out of school or to allow them to stay out of their own desire, and it would be well for the parents all over the county to recognize this fact to save trouble, as it is the duty of the authorities to see that the children are in school.

Hon. R. B. Windham departed this morning for Omaha, where he will spend a few hours, and expects to meet his daughter, Mrs. Kenyon Riddle, who is coming from Harrington, Kan., for a visit in the old home.

CLASS PLAY, 'A TRIAL OF HEARTS'

Will Be Rendered at the Parmelee Theater on Monday Evening, May 21, By Members of the Class of 1917.

The class of 1917 of the Plattsmouth High school will present on the evening of Monday, May 21st, their class play, "A Trial of Hearts," a college comedy in four acts by Lindsey Barbee. The young people are now busy preparing for the event, that will be one of the most pleasing presented by the school in the past few years.

The story of the play is one that will keep the keenest interest of the lovers of high class drama closely held from the commencement to the close of the dramatic offering. The story is that of a wealthy student in college, who, without the knowledge of his aristocratic mother, contracts a marriage that is not satisfactory to her, and although received in the home the young wife is treated coldly and becomes unhappy in her home and leaves for the west, but later the husband finds her, and a happy ending is found in the play. Through the play the spirit of college fraternity and sorority life is shown, as the scene is laid in a college town.

The cast of characters is from the membership of the class and the leading roles taken by Glenn Elliott as "Dudley VanAnwerp," and Miss Helen Livingston as "Honor VanAnwerp," the wife, and Will Nolting as "Philip Vivian," the tried and true friend. The remainder of the cast consists of the following:

Roger Fairfax, flirtatiously inclined Frank Palacek
Teddy VanAnwerp, adherent of Kappa Psi Albert Janda
Jack Harding, adherent of Delta Chi Burdette Briggs
Jerry Jones, Gretchen's Pal Everett Spangler
Mrs. VanAnwerp, of great importance Jessie Todd
Gretchen VanAnwerp, with "frat" knowledge Abbie Brown
Virginia Randolph, the old sweetheart Grace Nolting
Elinore Dean, a Kappa Psi senior Della Frans
Dorothy Dillon, a Delta Chi Ida Tschirren
Patricia Patterson, a Kappa Psi senior Beatrice Seybert
Priscilla Prescott, leader of Delta Chi Lenora Snyder
Bess and Betty, Kappa Psi Adelia Sayles, Agnes Bajcek
Barbara Lynn, popular freshman Catherine Schrack
Josephine Joyce, member Kappa Psi Anna Hiber
Louise Safford, member Kappa Psi Josephine Weber
Jean Heal, member Delta Chi Ruby Winscott
Irene Merrill, member Delta Chi Irene Truscott
Lucille Seymore, member Delta Chi Delia Duff
Mrs. Putnam, chaperone Catherine Gorder
Marie, a maid Ethel Tritsch
Just Girls—Flo Persinger, Ruth Mann, Edna Tulene, Alpha Hallstrom.

OLD TIMER HERE.

From Tuesday's Daily.

This morning Milton W. Moore, one of the former residents of near Murdock, and who was known during his residence here as one of the best fellows in the whole state, came in from his home near Primrose, Boone county. Mr. Moore is a whole-souled gentleman all the time and it was a rare pleasure for the Journal force once more to meet our friend and to learn that he is getting along nicely in his new home. Mr. Moore greatly enjoys the visit back to the old home and the green fields of Cass county. Mr. Moore returned to Omaha this afternoon and from there goes on to his home.

SUGAR AT \$9.50.

We got in a carload of sugar and are selling it at \$9.50. The sugar is nice and fresh. No fire in this sugar. Don't forget we brought sugar down \$1.25 per sack. We are trying to treat the people to reduced prices on everything. A. Palmer, the Fire King. 5-16-17d

LOOKING FOR FIRST BASEMAN.

The members of the Red Sox baseball team are anxiously on the lookout for someone to play the initial sack on their organization, that has been made vacant by the removal of Walter Connors from this city. The boys have so far unearthed no one, and if there is any first-sacker lurking around the city they will be received with open arms by the members of the Sox crew. So far the team has been recruited from the home guard and it is hoped that it will be possible to secure a first-sacker that can do the job right here in Plattsmouth. With a good stiff game in prospect for Sunday the vacancy has made it decidedly embarrassing for the boys.

OLD VETERANS OF NEBRASKA AND THE VICKSBURG REUNION

From Tuesday's Daily.

Hon. R. B. Windham of this city has received the following letter from the state department on the subject of the trip of the old soldiers to the southern battlefields:

Lincoln, Neb., May 7.—Comrades: Your attention is hereby called to the national memorial reunion and peace jubilee of the Union and Confederate survivors of the civil war, to be held in the Vicksburg National Military park at Vicksburg, Miss., October 16, 17, 18 and 19, 1917.

The 1917 Nebraska legislature passed an act authorizing an appropriation of \$20,000 to be used under the direction of a commission to be appointed by the governor, Hon. Keith Neville, to provide transportation to and from Vicksburg for all veterans, both Union and Confederate, who contemplate attending that reunion, who served in the civil war of 1861 to 1865, who now reside in, or who have continuously resided in the state of Nebraska for a period of at least one year prior to the passage of the act.

Said commission having been appointed and organized, all such veterans will indicate their desires by sending in their names, company, and regiment, in which they served to the Secretary, State House, Lincoln, Neb., at their earliest convenience, so as to enable an approximate estimate of the number to be provided for.

This trip being one of over 2,000 miles and one of more or less hardship and inconvenience, each comrade should very seriously consider the matter as to whether he will really be physically able to make the trip or not before making his application.

Officers of the war department, representing the U. S. government as host to the veterans, will have charge of this reunion, and the veterans will be its guests while in Vicksburg.

The Nebraska commission will have charge of the Nebraska division while en route and see that all comrades are properly cared for during the journey as well as in camp.

The order of exercises and entertainments during the reunion will be in charge of the National Association of Vicksburg Veterans, and all civil war veterans, whether they participated in the "campaign and siege of Vicksburg" or not, will have equal measure of privileges.

Each comrade who plans to undertake this trip should study this letter carefully, then make up his record as above directed and give his postoffice address, box or rural route over which he receives his mail, in order that he may be properly listed by the secretary.

All further information will be cheerfully furnished by the secretary. W. H. STEWART, J. S. HOAGLAND, WILL M. GIFFORD, Commission. J. H. PRESSON, Secretary.

GOES TO SANITARIUM.

This morning George Schantz departed for Lincoln, where he will enter the sanitarium in that city to take treatment for rheumatism, from which he has been a great sufferer for the past several months. Mr. Schantz is in very poor health and it is hoped that in the treatment at the sanitarium he may find relief and be restored to his former good health. He was accompanied to the capital city by John Albert and Michael Hild, who will assist him on his journey.