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City Council Has Long and Busy Session

Liquor Applications, Tax Property, Bill Distributing, and Canvassing of City Vote.

The city council Monday night had a very busy time with a large number of matters to be discussed and also the first of the month reports of the various officials to be heard.

City Clerk Albert Olson reported that for the past month he had collected the sum of \$519.69 and which had been turned over to the treasurer.

City Treasurer M. D. Brown reported at this time that there was \$14,812.65 in the treasury and which was deposited in the Plattsmouth State bank.

The L. W. Egenberger agency reported that rentals for the month on city property had amounted to \$25.20.

J. G. Meisinger presented a communication asking permission to cut the curb near his residence on South 9th street for a driveway and which on the motion of Rebal was granted.

Clement Woster, secretary of the fire department, reported the official list of firemen of the city numbered some twenty-five.

The Bill Distributor.

A great deal of discussion arose over the communication of the A. & A. Bill Distributing Co., of Omaha, enclosing a check for \$25 to pay the license fee as set by the city ordinance for bill distributors.

Councilman Bestor protested the practice of distributing the bills and circulars over the city, in yards, door handles and streets. Councilman Johnson agreed the bill distribution was a nuisance, but doubted the stopping of it as the ordinance provided for the license and under the provision held by courts he did not think that discrimination could be made. City Attorney J. H. Davis stated that the company applying had a large force of workers and distributors who made this their business and they served a large group of patrons. Mr. Davis also read the ordinance that provided for the license fee of \$25 and a bond of \$500 for compliance.

Councilman Schutz was also against the bill distribution over the city but thought the complying with the law by the company would entitle them to a license. Councilman Bestor insisted that the distributors should be individual companies and not one concern to represent a large number, also that the company was not in any way serving the best interests of the city. The matter was settled when Councilman Tippens moved that the \$25 be returned to the Omaha company and the license denied. On the vote on this Bestor, Tippens, Hall, Johnson, Schutz, Vroman and Brittain voted aye and Webb and Rebal no. Councilman Webb stated he favored the Greenriver plan and asked that the authorities take steps to prevent the bill distributing during the night or early morning.

Mayor Lushinsky announced that he would have a general clean up week for the city the first of May and that the city and fire department would join in making it a success.

Discuss Tax Properties.

Chairman Webb of the tax and property committee reported that on the matter of the lease of the old baseball park, that the status of the baseball teams had not been decided but that in the event that it was not leased to the Legion for a ball park it would be leased to Mr. Pollock.

The committee also asked permission to advertise for bids for the sale of lots that might be used for building purposes and which were now held by tax title by the city.

A resolution was also adopted turning several certificates back to the county treasurer as redemption had been made by the owners of the property.

Mr. Webb reported that the work of checking up the city tax property and preparing a record and history of the same was getting along nicely and would be a fine and complete setup of this work when ready.

City Attorney Davis stated that attorneys in the western part of the state had secured a rehearing of the Hazzard case before the supreme

court. They represented a group of owners of irrigated land in the west and whose holdings were affected, it was claimed by the points raised in the Plattsmouth decision. The committee and Mr. Davis were authorized to proceed and take what steps were necessary to protect the city's interests.

Councilman Tippens reported on several pieces of street work that had been completed since the last session.

Licenses and Election.

Chairman Rebal of the license committee brought up the matter of the approval of the license applications of Henry J. Donat and Fred H. Sharpnack for package liquor store permits, the "on sale" application of Henry Timm and the "on and off" applications of Carl G. Christwieser, B. C. Cohn, William Sweeney, Edward Donat, Emil Ptak, George Conis, Phillip Hoffman, R. W. Wasley. All of the applications were approved and the recommendation of the council will be sent to the state liquor commission at Lincoln.

The council then took a short adjournment for the canvass of the vote cast at the last city election and with the following result:

Board of Education—E. A. Wurl, 445; J. A. Capwell, 313; P. T. Helmenman, 292; S. S. Davis, 228.
Councilman, 1st Ward—W. H. Puls, 72; H. T. Woster, 55.
Councilman, 2nd Ward—W. C. Tippens, 114; C. D. Palmer, 41.
Councilman, 3rd Ward—J. C. Comstock, 96; E. C. Giles, 62.
Councilman, 4th Ward—C. A. Johnson, 49; O. E. Flinnfrook, 32; Fred H. Vincent, 50.
Councilman, 5th Ward—Henry Kuhman, 24; E. O. Vroman, 65.

The committee composed of Bestor, Schutz and Rebal reported the canvass and that certificates of election be issued to the successful candidates.

It was also voted that the board of education be billed for their share of the expense of the April 6th election.

The matter of changing of retaining walls along the new rock surfaced road on Wintersteen hill was taken up and it was decided to have the mayor take up the matter with the several property owners to secure their co-operation in the matter.

The following bills were ordered paid by the council:

Iowa-Nebr. Light & Power Co., lights	\$246.55
Lillian G. White, record deeds	10.00
Platts. Water Corp., hydrant rental	483.96
Iowa-Nebr. Light & Power Co., lights	9.68
Bates Book Store, office supplies	1.00
Lyman-Richey, sand	2.50
Ivan Taylor, street work	49.20
George Taylor, same	7.00
George Taylor, same	57.60
John Kubicka, same	22.40
John Kubicka, same	21.00
John Kubicka, labor on scales	2.80
Ivan Taylor, same	3.20
George Taylor, same	2.80
Albert Olson, same	3.25
Lincoln Tele. & Tele. Co., phone	6.65
Tidball, supplies	48.66
Ore Oil Co., supplies	36.42
R. M. Goehenour, bury dog	.60
John Boetel, same	.60
Richey, material for scales	13.45
Bauer Auto & Supply Co., repairs	14.10
Hild Service station, gas and oil	11.96
Norfolk Packing Co., cinders	3.06
F. R. Gobelman, paint and oil	24.10
John Boetel, install election booths	10.00
Tidball, coal	13.15
C. A. Ruse Motor Co., supplies	2.75
Beushausen Supply Co., election supplies	22.00
Cass county, absent voter supplies	.35
Platts. Journal, ads and supplies	106.44
Mrs. R. A. Bates, rent, election room	7.00
Ed Gabelman, same	7.00
Fetzer Shoe Co., fire coats	41.10
Anderson Co. Inc., fire department supplies	47.65
Cass County Motor Co., repair truck	20.95
Teuk Someville Co., insurance	136.46
Judges and clerks, 2nd ward	19.00
Judges and clerks, 5th ward	20.50
Judges and clerks, 4th ward	20.50
Judges and clerks, 3rd ward	20.50
Jess Perry, election room rent	7.00

TAKING EXAMINATIONS

The examinations at the local high school for the regent's scholarship, offered by the University of Nebraska, are now being held. There has been much interest shown by the young people and seven of the high ranking students of the senior class are busy in the tests. Those who are taking the examinations are Edna Mae Petersen, Rachel Robertson, John Gayer, William Evers, Herbert Stander, Max Seitz, Wayne Falk.

Eula Mae Reed Dies at Lincoln Monday Night

Only Daughter of Late Sheriff Bert Reed and Wife Passes Away After Long Illness.

Miss Eula Mae Reed, 24, the only daughter of the late Sheriff Bert Reed and Mrs. Reed, died Monday night at a Lincoln hospital following an illness that has covered the past few years.

Eula Mae Reed was born at Elmwood on May 27, 1913 and spent her childhood days in that place and at Weeping Water where the family resided for a number of years. With the election of the father as sheriff in 1926, the family moved to Plattsmouth and where Eula attended the local high school and graduated in the class of 1932.

After the close of her school work she carried on her work as a teacher in the rural schools of the county and continued in this until her failing health made necessary her laying aside her work. With the death of the father the daughter failed rapidly and has been almost constantly under medical care.

There is surviving the mother, Mrs. Bert Reed of this city and one brother, Samuel P. Reed, of Plattsmouth.

The body was brought here to the Horton funeral home to await the funeral this afternoon.

RETURN FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Todd, who have been spending the winter in California, have returned home to Nebraska and are again at the farm northwest of this city. They report the spring season in California has been very backward and a great deal of real cold weather for that part of the west was experienced. They were in the fruit belt during the time that the burning of smudges was necessary to try and keep the citrus crop from freezing.

While in the west Mr. and Mrs. Todd had the pleasure of enjoying many visits with the old friends from Nebraska who are now located in the Los Angeles and Long Beach territory.

NOT IDENTIFIED

Sheriff Homer Sylvester still has on his hands the stranger picked up here last Friday and who is unable to identify himself or where he might have come from.

Mrs. Lines of Lincoln was here to view the man in the hope that it might be her brother, but was not able to identify him.

The sheriff has had the man fingerprinted and also photographed and the prints and picture will be sent to Washington try and identify the man if a former service man.

FIND TRUCK DRIVER GUILTY

The case of the State of Nebraska vs. R. A. Beatty, charged with driving a car while intoxicated, was given to the jury in the district court at 3:30 Monday afternoon.

The jury returned a verdict last evening in which the defendant was found guilty of the offense as charged.

Beatty waived any appeal from the verdict and Judge W. W. Wilson then sentenced him to ten days in the county jail, to pay the costs of the case and also taking away his right to operate a motor vehicle in the state of Nebraska for a year.

The defendant has already served four days in the jail and this period of time was ordered taken off the sentence.

W. F. HEIER DIES

Alvo, Neb.—William F. Heier, 73, died here suddenly Tuesday morning. He was born in Minden, Germany. He is survived by his wife and 11 children, Arthur, Marie and Minnie of Lincoln; William and Ervin of Greenwood, Harvey of Alvo; Raymond and Everett of Murdock; Ella Reinke of Ashland; Walter of Wabash and Emil of Louisville. He also leaves ten grandchildren, four sisters and many other relatives and friends.

MOVES OFFICE

J. A. Persinger, supervising time-keeper of the WPA projects, is moving into the office on the second floor of the Donat building on Main st. This office will afford more room for the headquarters.

CARD OF THANKS

"The Lord who sends us griefs to bear Sends friends who understand and care."

We are deeply grateful for the many acts of kindness and sympathy expressed by friends and neighbors during the recent illness and death of our beloved father and brother. We especially wish to thank the Eastern Star, members of the Christian church and the singers. May the same spirit of sympathy and comfort be yours in your hour of sorrow.—The family and brothers and sisters of Samuel Hackenberg.

Local Shop Men Perfect a Craft Organization

Meeting Monday Evening Selects Committees to Handle Problems That May Arise.

From Wednesday's Daily—

The district court room was filled last night by workers from the Burlington Refrigerator Express Co. shops, called to perfect a local organization of the various crafts and which later may be affiliated with national labor unions.

The meeting was presided over by Adam Marshall and with Ed Kohrell acting as the secretary.

It was decided to have a central committee elected of members from each of the crafts employed at the shops and who will serve in handling problems that may arise as to hours, working conditions and wages.

The committee selected by the meeting to represent the workers that comprised the following:

Carpenters—Ray Aylor.
Sheet Metal Workers—Gus Kopp.
Electricians—Louis Svoboda.
Painters—Harry Shiffer.
Mill Operators—Otto Lutz.
Pattern Makers—Carl Knieke.
Tractor Operators—Elmer Lohnes.
Tanners—Frank Rebal.
Blacksmiths—Anton Hula.
Machinists—Frank Koubek.
Upholsters—Cyril Kalina.
Store Department—Mott Frady.
Brass and Oiler—Henry Kuhman.

The matter of the selecting of a general chairman for the committee was deferred until a meeting of all of the craft heads.

The organization it is hoped will be able to handle the various matters that may arise such as the wage adjustments which have caused some dispute in the last few days.

CAR-TRUCK ACCIDENT

Monday night a car-truck smash-up occurred near the Sixth and Pearl street intersection and as the result the car driven by Francis Toman suffered considerable damage.

The truck, loaded with poles, was parked on Sixth street, a short distance from the path of traffic around the corner. The load had a red flag fastened to the end of the poles but no light or flare and Mr. Toman drove his car into one of the poles, breaking the windshield, damaging the headlight and otherwise injuring the car.

The matter was adjusted by the truck owner who was called to the scene, agreeing to pay for the damage sustained.

DISTRICT COURT MEETS

From Monday's Daily—
District Judge W. W. Wilson, of Nebraska City, was here today to hold a session of court and the jury for the April term called for service.

The first case called was that of the State of Nebraska vs. R. A. Beatty, in which the defendant was charged with operating a car while intoxicated and to which he plead not guilty in county court.

The defendant is charged with driving his truck into a car occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bushnell, Marie Kinnamon and Charlotte Tracy, on highway No. 75 in the south portion of the city.

SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

Miss Ida Mosler at the St. Elizabeth's hospital at Lincoln, is reported as showing a very nice improvement following her recent eye operation. She is expecting to be able to return home in a short time and to resume her activities.

Bible Class Has 31st Anniversary Tuesday Night

Young Men's Class of the Methodist Church Meet at Home of County Treasurer John E. Turner.

The Young Men's Bible class of the First Methodist church met Tuesday evening at the home of County Treasurer John E. Turner with a very large group of the members in attendance.

The occasion was the observance of the thirty-first anniversary of the class which has long been a very active factor in the church and Sunday school activities of the community. The class was organized on April 1, 1906 when nine young men met and decided to launch the new organization and it has had a very successful career since that time.

James Rishel, the only charter member still here, was unable to be in attendance, but greetings were received from Paul Morgan, Hay Springs, the first president of the class, Edward Roman of Santa Ana, California, and Hugh Cecil of St. Paul, Nebraska.

The song period was led by Lee Knolle and the devotions by Judge A. H. Duxbury.

The class took up the matter of the election of the officers for the year and the following were selected:

President—Randall York.
Vice-President—Lee Knolle.
Secretary—Ray Schwenneker.
Treasurer—Ward Whelan.
Song Leader—Lee Knolle.
Assistant Leader—Don York.
Teacher—E. H. Wescott.
President Emeritus—Jesse P. Perry.

Following the election the members had a very fine talk by J. P. Cleland of Omaha, a noted world traveler, who had as his topic that of "Egypt," a land of antiquity and mystery.

Mr. Cleland told of his journey along the valley of the Nile, the many cities that he had visited, rich in the history of ancient years, the temples that are found in all parts of the country and represent the ancient worship of the Egyptians. His description of the great pyramid was most interesting and showed the greatest detail in his description of the tomb of the Egyptian kings.

Rev. Wright, pastor of the church, closed the session of the class with the benediction.

The evening was closed with the serving of refreshments which were much enjoyed by the members of the party.

HEAR OF OLD MEXICO

The Rotarians Tuesday had the pleasure of a most interesting talk by J. V. Oliver of the A. W. Farney staff, who related his experiences and impressions on his recent vacation trip to old Mexico.

Mr. Oliver gave a very graphic sketch of the southern republic that is so little known to the North Americans. Mr. Oliver had made the trip by auto and had the opportunity of observing the nature of the country and the customs and habits of the people from the Rio Grande to the City of Mexico, the center of the culture of the nation.

The meeting was under the leadership of James G. Maury and who presented the interesting speaker of the day.

VERY HAPPY EVENT

From Wednesday's Daily—
This morning at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha a fine son and heir was born to Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Thornton, of this city. The mother and son are doing nicely and the father very happy over the addition to the family circle. Mr. Thornton is head of the office force of the U. S. Engineers. Mrs. Thornton was formerly Miss Grace Schlater of Louisville and Plattsmouth.

DISMANTLE STONE CRUSHER

From Wednesday's Daily—
Deputy Sheriff Cass Sylvester was at Weeping Water this morning to investigate the dismantling last night of the stone crusher owned by Ole Olson and used in the quarry near that place.

The parties did a good job in purloining some 500 pounds of the cast iron from the crusher and which was hauled from the scene. The crusher is valued at around \$2,000 and the removal of the iron has made the machine useless.

It is thought that the iron may have been taken to some of the nearby towns to be disposed of and the sheriff and deputy are checking this phase of the case very thoroughly.

SUNDAY VISITORS HERE

Mrs. Peri Wells and daughters, Margaret and Ardith, of Beatrice and Dr. and Mrs. George Tulley of Lincoln spent Sunday at the W. A. Wells home. Mr. Wells is reported to be weaker today.

VISITING IN THE CITY

Mrs. Eugene Burdic and children, Mary and Allan, of St. Edward, Nebraska, are here to spend the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Schneider, parents of Mrs. Burdic. Mary is recovering from the effects of an accident received two weeks ago. Mr. and Mrs. Burdic were motoring home from Genoa, when Mary, riding in the back seat, was able to turn the handle of the door and opened it, falling out before the parents could stop the car. She suffered a scalp wound and a cut on the lip but is now doing nicely.

William A. Wells Dies at Family Home in This City

Has Been in Failing Health for Some Time—Was Resident of This City Since 1924.

William Austin Wells was born in Albia, Kansas, Nov. 4th, 1879. In early life the family moved to Washington, Kansas, where he grew to manhood.

In 1903 at Washington he was married to Flora May Alwin. To them was born two children, Wayne and Velma.

In 1924 the family moved to Plattsmouth where Mr. Wells engaged in business for himself and where they have since resided. Since 1929 he has been employed in the A. G. Bach store.

In his early boyhood he accepted the Lord as his personal Saviour and was an active member of the Baptist church, having charge of the music in both Sunday school and the church service. In 1924 the family moved to Plattsmouth where he became a member of the Methodist church.

He passed away this morning at 12:40 at the family home.

Those left of his immediate family to mourn his loss are the wife, one son Wayne of Omaha and a daughter, Mrs. Velma Edwards of Santa Monica, Calif., one sister, Mrs. A. J. Tooley of Greenleaf, Kansas, a great host of other relatives and friends.

The last services will be conducted from the Sattler funeral home, Friday at 2 p. m.

VISIT IN MISSOURI

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Porter and son, Walter, accompanied by Frank E. Valley and Ordell Hennings enjoyed a very delightful motor trip Sunday down into the northwestern portion of Missouri.

They made the trip over highway No. 275 and returned on highway No. 71. The party found the wheat in that section as being in the best of shape and this held all through the section visited.

When in St. Joseph, Missouri, the party visited at the home of Jesse James, noted early day outlaw, on Jones street and where he was killed.

On the way back the party stopped at Shenandoah, Iowa, and visited at radio station KMA.

The distance traveled was 346 miles and gave them a very fine day's outing.

TENDERFOOT INVESTURE

From Tuesday's Daily—
Don Martin, Cary Marshall and Gerald Hennings received their tenderfoot badges at the meeting of the Boy Scout troop at the school house last evening.

This brings the troop's membership to 36. John Morris also came into the troop as a new member last evening. He is being transferred from the Union scout troop. John is a second class scout.

Lee Knolle, E. H. Wescott and C. A. Marshall were on the committee in charge of the award last evening.

HAS HOGS STOLEN

Sheriff Homer Sylvester was at Eagle Sunday where he was called to investigate the stealing of five registered Hampshire pigs from the home of August Bergman.

The pigs were part of a litter from one of the registered animals that had been raised by the son of Mr. Bergman and all were valuable pigs.

So far no trace has been found of the missing pigs.

Gym Exhibit Will Revive Old Memories

Shades of Past to Be Seen in Free Program by Physical Education Classes of Local School.

Memories of the Old Turner Hall will be revived Friday evening when the physical education classes of the Plattsmouth junior high students go into action in their annual exhibit at 7:30 at the high school gym.

Equipment for the boys' events was originally the property of the Plattsmouth Turnverein. It has been rebuilt at the school by W.P.A. laborers and interest in the art of tumbling and work on bars and horses has been revived.

In addition to the junior high boys exhibit under the direction of Clark Boggess, girls of the eighth grade will give a military performance, calisthenics, and Scotch, Irish, sailor and milkmaid dances. Miss Jeanne Ray has charge of the girls' classes.

It is a joy to some of the older residents of this community to see gymnasium activities revived. In earlier days Plattsmouth won national fame in gymnastic events.

John Sattler was influential in organizing the Turnverein in Plattsmouth. Mr. Sattler had been a turner in Germany. When he came to this country in 1882 he organized a school in Massachusetts and later in Pekin, Ill. After arriving in Plattsmouth six months, Mr. Sattler assisted in the organization of the class here and acted as the first teacher. The class was opened in 1886 in the hall in the Bekins building. Young men of 16-21 were in the class. Another class was organized for girls and in later years the old singing class was combined with the turners and a building was erected on the present site of the Coffman residence about 1892.

Among the members of the first class to enter national competition in the tournament at St. Louis were John Kopp, John Lutz, and George Lushinsky. In 1889 John Kopp met and defeated the late Secretary of War George Dern, in competition at Fremont. Ed Lutz and H. M. Soenichsen were also early members of the Turners.

In later years the five Wurl brothers made outstanding showing for Plattsmouth in state, interstate, and national exhibits. In 1897 the Plattsmouth turners took the championship in the national festival of the North American Gymnastic Union. Members of that team were Joe Peters, Phil Moeller, Paul Wurl, Emil Wurl, George Koehnke, Albert Fricke, Bernard Wurl, and Otto Wurl. Emil Wurl was trainer for the champions.

A great many of the men now living in Plattsmouth were members of the Turners before the organization finally disbanded a few years before the World war. It is hoped that a great many of those old members come out to see what the present generation is doing with the equipment upon which they won fame.