

THE FALLS CITY TRIBUNE.

New City Administration.

The new mayor and councilmen were inducted into office last Monday evening in the presence of a crowd that taxed the capacity of the council chamber.

Mayor Barrett read a detailed account of the receipts and expenditures during the two years of his office, and showed conclusively, not only that the affairs of the city have been economically administered, but that the most careful attention to properly keeping the accounts of the city has been had. Mayor Barrett expressed his thanks to the council and city officers and took a little hide off the knocker and kicker. Amid great applause he introduced Mayor-elect Abbey who responded in a neat speech. The council then proceeded to organize by Abbey, Benschoter, Hahn and Riechers taking the oath of office.

The following appointments were made by Mayor Abbey, all of which were immediately confirmed:

Chief of Police—Samuel Marts.
Night Police—Frank Camblin.
City Attorney—J. R. Wilhiet.
Water Commissioner—Burt Reavis.

Street Commissioner and Special Police—John Startzel.

By making the street commissioner a special policeman the city will save the salary of one officer.

The following committees were appointed by the mayor:

Finance—Riechers, Whitaker, Hahn.

Water and Lights—Whitaker, Gehling, Benschoter.

Supplies—Maust, Riechers, Benschoter.

Poor—Riechers, Benschoter, Maust.

Printing—Gehling, Hahn, Whitaker.

Fire Department—Benschoter, Maust, Hahn.

Sanitary, Streets and Walks—The entire council.

These formalities out of the way the council acted on the applications for saloon license. The following gentlemen were granted license by a vote of four to two, Councilmen Benschoter and Riechers casting the negative votes. Less Leeds, O. Schonheit, Peter Frederick, Matt Kaiser, Joe Lollman, Fred Herbster and the Gehling Brewery.

The new administration starts out under the most favorable circumstances and with the good will and active co-operation of all our people.

Success to it.

Fishing Club Meets.

The Nemaha Fishing club held an interesting meeting on Saturday evening, at which time the following officers were elected: President, F. A. Keller; vice-president, E. G. Whitford; secretary, Fred Farrington; treasurer, L. P. Wirth. Executive Committee, Geo. Fallstead and Ward Knight.

The members of the club have decided to be unceasing in their efforts to stop the illegal fishing which has been so prevalent in the past, and to aid them in this work have appointed a committee to purchase a boat, that they can be ready at all times to make investigating tours on the Nemaha and thus keep the river clear of any traps which might be placed there. State Game Warden Carter has expressed his willingness to aid them at any time. The warning has been sent out and an example will be made of the first guilty person caught. No mercy will be shown him, but he will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Big Doings Tomorrow.

Tomorrow will be a big day in Falls City, as it will be the day of the Southeastern Nebraska Field meet. There will be something to amuse you all day and evening.

At 10 a. m. at Poteet's ball park the Pawnee and Tecumseh base ball teams will battle for supremacy. This will be a good game, as the teams are evenly matched and both are determined to win. There will be no charge for this but a collection will be taken and no doubt will be responded to very liberally.

At 2 p. m. on the High school grounds will be given a fine athletic exhibition, when five high schools will fight out the Southeastern Nebraska championship. The contestants will be Auburn, Falls City, Humboldt, Nebraska City and Pawnee. Falls City won out last year, so a close fierce battle is expected tomorrow, as the visiting teams are all coming with blood in their eyes. A charge of 25 cents will be made for this and the contest will be well worth it.

In the evening at 8 o'clock there will be a High school concert at the court house. There will be musical numbers by the High school band, orchestra and glee club, and also several selections by local talent who have kindly consented to assist. A charge of 15c. and 25c. will be made for this concert, the proceeds to go toward buying music and instruments for the band and orchestra.

Altogether it will be a great day and each event should receive the hearty support of all our citizens.

After the splendid showing made by our boys at Salem last week, show your appreciation by turning out and rooting for your home town.

Will Address Lincoln High School

Our townsman, C. F. Reavis, has been prevailed upon to address the graduating class of the Lincoln High school on May 22.

As an orator we all know Mr. Reavis is without a peer, and great are the demands made upon him. If he would accept all invitations given him to address large and important gatherings, he would have no time to attend to his ever increasing law practice, and the Lincoln High school officials may indeed feel favored that he has accepted their invitation.

It is also rumored that he will give the memorial address at Pawnee City on Decoration day.

As to Good Roads.

In another column of this issue will be found a letter from Congressman Pollard which should be of more than ordinary interest to our readers and especially to the board of supervisors, as it opens up a way for them to take up the good road question, which is of such vital importance. We are sure that it will meet with the hearty approval of our farmer friends, who can always be counted upon when it comes to a question of good roads. Read the letter.

New Deputy Postmaster.

Postmaster Crook last week appointed Charles Sharts deputy postmaster. This is a wise move on the part of Mr. Crook, as it will add greatly to the efficiency of the office. Mr. Sharts is a very capable young man and he and his charming wife will be a distinct addition to our social circles.

It is only fair to say we slipped this news item by the old man.

MR. TAXPAYER.

This is a complete annual statement, showing cash balance at the beginning of this administration May 6th, 1907, also money received and paid out by City Treasurer Uhlig, from whom received and for what paid, and cash balance in the city treasury at the close of business May 4th, 1908.

This statement is made up from the books in my office and the City Council will please take notice that my cash balance is \$1261.30 less than the cash balance handed us by City Treasurer Uhlig, Monday night. This difference is caused by the following warrants drawn against the 1907 fund: No. 16, \$721.10 and No. 161, \$540.20, making a total of \$1261.30 that is entered in my books as paid, but as they are registered, they have not been charged to his account. This you will readily see makes my cash balance \$1261.30 less than that certified to by Mr. Uhlig in this statement.

Cash balance May 6th, 1907..... \$ 6292.34

RECEIPTS FOR TWELVE MONTHS.

From sale of electric light bonds.....	\$10000.00
" Water Commissioner Fallstead.....	10277.43
" Occupation tax.....	3751.75
" County treasurer.....	8387.43
" Dog tax.....	161.00
" Librarian.....	93.31
" Secretary of Library board.....	180.00
" Insurance companies.....	78.00
" Street Commissioner Lippold.....	36.00
" Street Commissioner Startzel.....	113.75
" Ex-City Treasurer Bode.....	89.46
Total receipts for twelve months.....	33168.13

DISBURSEMENTS FOR TWELVE MONTHS.

Coal for plant.....	\$ 4029.53
Hauling coal to plant.....	481.00
Supplies for plant.....	3444.74
Employees and help at plant.....	3570.89
Crossings.....	1931.64
Janitor.....	305.00
Rent.....	284.00
Salary of city officials.....	1055.85
Police.....	1384.74
Work on streets.....	1546.67
Material for streets.....	263.94
Tools for street work.....	29.45
Drayage and express.....	252.69
Printing and stationery.....	478.06
Supplies for poor.....	337.61
Blacksmithing.....	29.15
Repairing standpipe.....	47.50
Band stand.....	75.00
Condemning and building walks.....	904.41
Extending water mains.....	640.14
Dog tags.....	3.95
Election judges and clerks.....	60.00
Insurance on plant.....	135.00
Western Union clock.....	12.00
Killing and removing dogs.....	3.00
Phones and phoning.....	13.50
Street grader.....	75.00
Hauling and drying fire hose.....	27.25
Filing deed to park.....	1.25
Making test wells.....	30.50
Selling light bonds.....	250.00
Hauling stone for park.....	23.76
Total claims allowed by council for 12 months.....	\$21727.22

CITY TREASURER ALSO PAID.

Three electric light bonds.....	\$ 1500.00
Interest on electric light bonds.....	108.36
Interest on water bonds.....	1200.00
Interest on registered warrants.....	40.37
Out of library fund.....	1370.86
Amount paid but not allowed by Council.....	4219.59
Total disbursements for twelve months.....	25946.81
Cash balance May 4th, 1908.....	13513.66
	\$39460.47

I, Wm. Uhlig, city treasurer of Falls City, Nebraska, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement agrees with the records of my office and the collections, disbursements and balance on hand shown herein, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WM. UHLIG, City Treasurer.

I hereby certify that there was on deposit in the First National Bank of Falls City, Nebraska, to the credit of Wm. Uhlig, city treasurer, at the close of business May 4th, 1908, the sum of fourteen thousand seven hundred and seventy-four dollars and ninety-six cents (\$14774.96).

P. H. JUSSEN, Vice President.

To the citizens of this community, I wish to say that after serving as your Mayor for two terms, that on stepping down and out I extend to you one and all my heartfelt thanks for the kind consideration you have shown me, and in the future as in the past, I am heartily in favor of anything that will add to your comfort or promote the general welfare of our prosperous little city.

G. M. BARRETT.

Injured His Eye.

While working around some of his machinery last Friday, Harry Pence received a very painful injury by a piece of steel

striking him in the eye. For a time there was some fear of permanent injury, but by prompt action on the part of the physician, Harry was soon himself again.

Field Meet at Salem.

In the field meet at Salem last Saturday, our boys gave a fine exhibition of their athletic ability, and it is a pardonable pride we all feel in them. We are unable to give a complete report of the program, the following being the results as we took them from the bulletin, the different clubs securing the place in which their names appear:

100 yd. dash—Humboldt, Falls City (Shock), Humboldt; time 11 seconds.

440 yd. dash—Humboldt, Falls City (Yoder), Humboldt; time 50 seconds.

Running broad jump—Falls City (Shock), Humboldt, Falls City; distance 20 feet, 3 inches.

Mile run—Falls City (Yoder), Humboldt, Falls City; time 5 minutes, 3 seconds.

Running high jump—Falls City (Shock), Humboldt and Dawson. Shot put—Falls City (Harry Jones), Dawson, Falls City.

200 yards—Humboldt, Falls City and Humboldt tie; time 24 seconds.

880 yards—Falls City (B. Yoder) Humboldt, Falls City; time 2:16.

Pole vault—Falls City (Shock) Falls City, Humboldt; 9.6.

Half mile relay—Humboldt, Falls City, Dawson; time 1:41.

Total—Falls City 49 1/2, Humboldt 36 1/2, Dawson 3 1/2.

Turn out tomorrow and root for our boys and they will try and give you a repetition of the above.

Lightning's Work.

During the severe electric storm of Sunday night lightning played sad havoc in different localities in this vicinity. The storm lasted throughout a greater portion of the night, and those who witnessed it say it seemed almost one continual flash, with peal after peal of heavy thunder.

John Majerus, who lives on the old Edgecombe farm north of Rulo, is the heaviest loser, the lightning seeming to have centered all its vengeance at this place, and as a result his fine large barn, considered one of the largest and best in the county, was burned to the ground together with all its contents, which included seven head of fine horses, several tons of hay, quantities of small grain and all of his farming implements. It is a big loss, there being but \$1,000 insurance on the building and none on the contents. Mr. Majerus has the sympathy of all in his great loss. Chas. Weaver, who lives north of Verdon, was another victim. His barn was struck and a good blaze started, but was soon extinguished with but slight damage. He, however, lost a very valuable horse, but was lucky enough to carry good insurance in the Farmer's Mutual.

It was one of the most severe storms we have experienced in a long time and it is hoped there will be no repetition.

Later—On Monday night lightning again struck the Weaver barn, and while killing no stock, damaged the building to a greater extent than on Sunday night.

Received Increase in Pension.

Stephen Pryor of this city received the welcome news this week that his pension had been increased. This was brought about through the efforts of Mr. Pryor's friends in this city, who for some time have been working with this end in view, and when the news came from Mr. Burkett that in the future their old comrade would receive \$25 per month, they felt amply repaid for their efforts, as there is no one more worthy than Mr. Pryor.

Died.

RASLEY

D. T. Easley died at his home in Rulo, Neb., Sunday, May 3, 1908, at 9:30 a. m., aged 77 years, 2 months and 1 day.

Mr. Easley was one of the pioneers of Richardson county, having lived in Rulo for a number of years and was well known and held in high esteem for his true manly principles. He had been sick for several months but was not considered worse than usual and when the summons came on Sunday it was a great shock to his many life long friends.

The funeral will not be held until Friday afternoon, when his two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Miles of Los Angeles, Cal., and Mrs. Dr. Wiser of Phoenix, Arizona, are expected to arrive.

Our Rulo correspondent expects to be able next week to give a complete biography of deceased for the benefit of the numerous pioneer friends who have known him for so many years.

HURT.

Mrs. Susan Bertha Hurt died at her home in Ventura, Cal., on Tuesday, April 28, aged 27 years.

Deceased was the wife of Dave Hurt, formerly of this city, and will be remembered by many as Miss Fitzgerald. They left here about two years ago for the benefit of Mrs. Hurt's health and located in California. The change proved beneficial for only a short time however, and on the above date she succumbed to that dread disease, consumption.

She leaves besides her husband, three children, one girl and two boys, aged respectively 10, 8 and 5 years, also three sisters and three brothers, one of the latter being Bob Fitzgerald of this city.

KENT.

W. R. Kent died at his farm home on Monday, May 4, 1908, at 10:30 p. m., aged 63 years and 11 months.

This death was indeed a shock to his family and many friends, as he was in his usual good health at the time of retiring on Sunday evening, but was found in an unconscious condition on Monday morning and only lived a few hours. A sad feature of this death was that his wife who had been his faithful companion for so many years was in Colorado visiting at the time of his death.

Wm. Riley Kent was born in Morgan county, Ind., June 14, 1844. At the age of 18 he enlisted in the Civil war, serving faithfully for three years. At the close of the war he went to Keota, Iowa, where he was married to Alvina McDowell, October 18, 1866. From there they removed to Rice county, Kansas, where they resided until 1879, when they settled on their farm, south of town, living there continuously until his death, with the exception of the time spent at their home in this city, where they would stay during the dull times on the farm.

There were five children, two dying in infancy. Those living are Mrs. Jas. W. Jellison, Mrs. Will Saylor and Miss Iva Kent.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon from the home in this city, Rev. Dunkleberger officiating. Interment in Steele's cemetery.

A Wise Choice.

The appointment of Samuel Marts as Chief of Police was a wise one on the part of the mayor and council. Mr. Marts has shown his true worth in the past, and this mark of appreciation is as it should be. His friends extend congratulations.