

REBUILDING THE CHARTER

Amendments to the Omaha Bill of Rights Being Considered.

SOME NEW PROVISIONS FOR VIADUCTS

Responsibility of the Railways to Be Justly—Plans for the Amendment of the Board of Public Works—On District Bonds.

The charter amendment committee met in the council chamber yesterday afternoon, and for an hour and a half discussed proposed changes. Those present were: Messrs. Steel, Wise, Balcomb, Birkhauser, Taylor, and the city engineer and the city attorney.

The city attorney said that the city contemplated the erection of four—and possibly five—viaducts in the near future, and he desired to retain the clauses that compel the railroads to bear the whole expense unless there is more than 800 feet of approach in each case.

One exception was made in the determination to allow increase of salaries, and that was in the case of the city clerk, whose salary ought to be \$2,500 instead of \$2,000, in the opinion of the committee, because his hours are a third longer than those of any other official.

The Board of Public Works section was taken up and a member of the committee with the exception of City Engineer Rosewater was in favor of having the city engineer a member of the board.

PARKS AND THE CHARTER

How the Public Pleasure Grounds Are Affected by the Proposed Changes.

The park commissioners met yesterday afternoon and allowed a batch of bills for current expenses.

City Attorney Council was present and laid before the board the amended section pertaining to parks in the new charter to be presented to the legislature.

In the amended section the maximum for any one year that the city council shall have power to levy for the maintenance and improvements of parks is placed at \$30,000, but there is no minimum mentioned.

The new section provides that the city may vote bonds to the amount of \$50,000 each year for the purchase of park lands.

Board of Trade Reorganization. A meeting of the members of the Board of Trade was held at the Omaha club rooms yesterday afternoon, the object being to consider the proposed reorganization of the board.

The Bee was favored today with a call by Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Hall of York, Neb., and their little daughter Gracie Bee, who by the way is a name of the Bee.

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