

ATTACK ON THE PARK BOARD

Its Legal Existence Denied by the City in Doane Dispute.

LAW AUTHORIZING IT INVALID AND VOID

Court Grants Modified Writs but Holds that if Services Alleged Were Performed Payment is Mandatory.

The mandamus suit instituted by George W. Doane to compel the payment of \$235 as attorney's fees for prosecuting the market house injunction case in the supreme court...

As soon as the writs were served members of the finance committee took steps to fight the case, and yesterday went into consultation with City Attorney Council.

A number of reasons are advanced in support of the motion. The principal ones attack the legality of the board and the constitutionality of its appointments.

That the so-called Board of Park Commissioners referred to in said proceedings has no valid or legal existence...

It is also stated that no demand was made on either the finance committee or the council to perform the alleged duty...

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AMUSEMENTS.

The popular actor, Clay Clement, whose artistic character acting in his latest success, "The New Dominion," has received much favorable notice...

"The Past Mail" closes its engagement at the Creighton with two performances today, the usual matinee being given at 2:30.

"The War of Wealth" is one of the great successes of the season. It is an American play written by C. J. Williams...

Leon Margulies, manager of the Danmore Opera company, writes to Manager Hayes that the report which has been given...

Frank Mayo has escaped from "Davy Crockett." The loophole through which he has returned to artistic freedom is the title role in his own dramatization of Mark Twain's "Pudd'nhead Wilson."

The part of "Pudd'nhead" is cast in a mold so different that it will surely thrust its way into the popular imagination.

The Christmas attraction at Boyd's theater, opening Monday, December 22, will be Jacob Litt's play, "In Old Kentucky."

"On the Mississippi," the great American play, by William Hawthorne, will open a four-night engagement at the Creighton, commencing with the usual matinee Sunday, December 22.

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WOMEN TO LEND ASSISTANCE

Fair Shoulders to Be Placed Against the Omaha Wheel.

WILL TAKE HOLD OF UNION DEPOT PROJECT

Club Meeting at Which the Members Open Up the Discussion of Their Sundry and Diverse Themes.

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After some routine business had been disposed of, Mrs. Powell's motion the chair appointed Mrs. Peattie, Mrs. Kysor and Mrs. Heller as a committee to devise a plan for holding the Farnam street union depot project.

Mrs. Ford then presented to the club a recommendation of the directory. It was that the club should pay to the university extension committee \$25, which should procure to all club members the admission to the last of Prof. Bessey's lectures.

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CAPTAIN BECK ON THE INDIAN.

Respects in Which the Red Man Has Made Progress and His Future.

ARE AFTER BARNES' PLACE.

Firemen Would Like to Be Second Assistant Chief.

Members of the Fire and Police commission met in regular session last night, transacting considerable routine business.

August Williams, captain of hose company No. 2, asked to be promoted to the position of second assistant chief of the department.

W. H. Cornick, a hostler at the police station, was charged with having been drunk. He admitted the truthfulness of the charge, but said that he had been on account of having been sick.

Charles C. Ellington of hook and ladder company No. 2 was given two days off without pay in order to allow him to get married.

City ticket office, 1401 Farnam street. We Will Give You a Check For your baggage at the time you buy your ticket and arrange to have our wagon call and take your trunk to the train.

Short Line Between Omaha and Chicago. No. 4 leaves Omaha 6 p. m., arrives Chicago 9 a. m.

Obelisk (O.) Students and Alumni. Former students and alumni of Obelisk (O.) College in Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity are requested to leave or send name and address to 1523 Douglas St. (basement), Omaha, Neb.

Comfort to California. Yes, an occasional patronize the Burlington's personally conducted one-day excursions, which leave Omaha every Thursday morning.

A Clean Sweep. Is what the OMAHA-CHICAGO SPECIAL via the NORTHWESTERN, gets before starting east at 5:45 p. m.

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Xmas Presents. To prepare for Christmas in a big store like this, is as difficult as rigging a ship from job to cargo. Here is a special buyer, ransacking every nook and brook in the markets, bidding on anything and everything worthy of our reputation...

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