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#### BOARD OF EDUCATION WANTS ITS MONEY

Hickory Street Grading Deal Looked On as a Bunco Game and a Settlement is Now to Be Forced if Necessary.

According to members of the Board of Education the board is in earnest this time in its determination to compel the city council to make some satisfactory adjustment of the Hickory street grading job by which the board was buncoed out of nearly \$1,500. The grievance is of long standing as the damages were assessed early in the spring of 1893, and in the following year the board tried to induce the council to return the amount, but without success. There is ers. Bernard, Thurman & Co. of New York. no question in regard to the facts, as the records now on file in the office of the comptroller are conclusive evidence that the transaction was one of the most barefaced that has ever been perpetrated by the city. The Board of Education, the City of Omaha and one or two private individuals were compelled to pay over \$6,000 on account of benefits for an improvement that has never been made to this day and the money has been paid out to other property owners for damages The effect which have never materialized, of the transaction was that the city simply took \$6,000 out of the pockets of one set of taxpayers and handed them over to another without giving the former the slightest compensation. The council de-termined to grade Hickory street from Fifth to Sixth streets and the appraisers as sessed the damages and benefits as follows:

Doned of Distantion	Benefits, Dan
Board of Education	
C. H. Dewey	1.450.32
John N. Dennis,	725.16
J. A. Hendry	725.15
John Steel	1.287.18
Mary S. Falk	163.14
City of Omaha	219.74
Appraisers' fees	

1,200 1,200 2,000

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\$6.021

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the assessments were paid at once by all the property owners and the record shows was immediately disbursed to the property owners who were awarded damages. That was the last of the transaction. The work was never done on the plea that the That was the last of the transaction. The work was never done on the plea that the work was never done on the plea that the work was never done on the plea that the firm at premium they are willing to pay. Under the circumstances the prospects for buying the bonds for a small premium are buying the bonds for a small premium are buying the bonds over and gave ball. Alexander street is in the same condition today as it was when the damages were ascessed and four of the property owners interested are ahead amounts running from \$300 to \$300, nearly all of which comes out of the public treasury. Will Sell Bonds in Time.
It is asserted that the position taken by the paying contractors that they will not do any work until the bonds are sold, so they

any work until the bonds are sold, so they can realize on their estimates as soon as the

CITY MUST RETURN THE CASH Fifteen Hundred Dollars of School Money Held Five 5. 7. POARD OF EDUCATION WANTS ITS MONEY heart disease, Smartsville, Neb.; William Zitzman, 63, 841 South Twenty-first, cancer of stomach. Laurel Hill. BAKE SHOPS THAT ARE FILTHY Health Department Will Move Against a New Public Menace. The municipal health department is preparing to take measures to close up a number members of the council say that they are helding the bonds on the advice of the legal department, in order to save accrued interof down town bakeries unless there is a radi-

cal improvement in the sanitary condition They contend that none of the work of the establishments. The rapid increase est. They contend that none of the work will be completed before May 1, and that if the bonds are sold in April it will be in ample time to meet the obligations. They think that this will be satisfactory to the in the number of cheap restaurants and boarding houses has created an unusual de mand for chesp baking and a large numbe of new bakeries have recently been started contractors and save a month's interest for the city. In a number of cases the surroundings are such that the product is a menace to the public health, and the department has de-

BOND BUYERS' POOL IS BUSY Working to Defent the Recent Sale o

the City's Funding Issue. There is a well defined understanding affoat that the bond buyers' pool that was formed to cut down the premium on the recent issue of refunding bonds has not accepted its defeat and is still working to defeat the sale. It is stated that the pool has brought influences to bear on the purchasrefuse to take the bonds and sacrifice the deposit of \$6,000 that they made with their bid. The pool will then reimburse the New York firm for the loss of its deposit, trusting to win out by forcing another sale of the bonds, when it hopes to be better organized and buy the bonds at a largely reduced

cents; macadam, 6 cents; sawed sephaltic stone, three inches thick, 23 cen's; four premium Some color was given to this statement yesterday when Treasurer Edwards ce-ceived a telegram from Bernard. Thurman & Co. stating that they had mailed an imporinches thick, 28 cents; tilling, 21 conta. These were the only bils submitted, but as the prices were in every case the lowest tant communication relative to the bonds. What the nature of this communication may that have ever been offered to the city, the board decided that the absence of genuice competition was no sufficient reason why the be is only surmised, but, in view of the known operations of the pool, it is sug-gested that the New York firm proposes to gested that the New York firm proposes to The cost of brick wake was the same, but The cost of brick has materially adperfectly free from any technical is the bonds artificial stone last year was 15.74 cents. The treasurer is advised that the bonds are perfectly free from any technical defect on which the purchasers might defeat the sale and in each they refuse to ship by the same to ship by the same technical defect on the same technical defect technical technical defect technical t

which the purchasers might deteat the sale and in case they refuse to abide by their proposal the \$6,000 deposit will certainly be the bonds at a reduced figure will encounter a snag. It happens that since the bonds were a snag. It happens that since the bonds were street cleaning operations. The men were all laid off Thursday night and will be put to sold the city treasurer has received four continues favorable. solicited proposals from firms that want the

News from the Reservation. bonds in case the New York firm declines to take them. Two heavy bond-buying firms stand ready to take the bonds at once at the same premium that Bernard, Thurman & Co. Deputy United States Marshal Allan has eturned from Pender, where be brought Dudley Wood, John A. Logan and Alexoffered, and the First National Bank of Chicago and one of the Omaha banks are on the charge of selling and civing which on the charge of selling and siving whisky ready to take the bonds, but have not stated

Works as follows:

establishment in which the baking is all

done in the basement, which does not even afford the protection of a concrete floor. The

water closets are also located in the same

oom with the ovens and the whole cellar is

edolent of flith. This shop furaishes baking

at a reduced price and is doing a big bus;

For Permanent Sidewalks,

George R. Crandall-Brick, two and one

half inches thick, She conts per foot.

Births-George Clarke, 1117 North Twenty-Births-George Clarke, 1117 North Twenty-fourth street, girl; Fred Rupp, Fourteenth and Frederick, girl; N. J. Hilding, 925 North Twenty-eighth, boy. Deaths-James Gould, 32, 1015 South Teuth, 10, 25c and 60c. All druggists.

PLANNING FUR THE NEW JAIL Arranging Preliminaries for the Removal of Cages and Officers.

COUNCIL CONMITTEE GITS TO WORK

Five Thousand Dollars Will Be Suf ficient to Remodel the Old Elkhorn Valley Hotel for Prison Purposes.

The transformation of the old Elkhorn cided that something must be done to protect the public. A case in point is a down town house at Eleventh and Dodge streets into . central police station das been commenced and is expected to reach such a stage by April 1 that the removal from the precent location can be made on or about that date The special committee appointed by the consisting of Councilmen council. Lobeck and Burmester and Building laspector Butler, visited the build-

ness. There are several others which are scarcely better situated. ing in company with Captain Hoze and Contracts for permanent sidewalks for 1898 went over it thoroughly. They laid the man Kierstead of the board said: general plans of the rearrangement of the have been awarded by the Board of Public Grant Paving company-Artificial stone, 14 commence cleaning out the building, and flave had to hise herded. this is the work which has been commenced. The building will furnish much more com-

modious quarters than those now occupied. There will be two floors and a bisement, and all will be occupied. The cells of the jail will be located in the basemont, where a in the Exposition. Send them The Weekly concrete floor will be put in. The cells Bee for a year for 65 cents. concrete floor will be put in. The cells which will be placed first are those which

the council purchased for \$1,300 s me time ago when the plan of tracisforming the basement of the city hall into a juil was brouched. After the removal the cells in the building now occupied will be moved. The jailer's office will also be in the base-

ment. There was some talk of erecting a cell house to the north of the pullding, and tols may be suggested in the council meeting, but the committee favors the basemony scheme in the interests of economy.

The police court room will be located on the first floor in the old dining room. This will be about 22x50 feet in size. To the cast a room of about the same size will be partitioned of these first floor for the size. partitioned off into effices for the clerk of the court, the prosecuting attorney and private office for the police judge. The front store room, formerly occupied as a salcon, will be turned into a sort of reception room where complaints and reports from the public will be received. Several smaller rooms on the north side of the build-ing will furnish offices for the captains and chief of detectives.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A HOSPITAL. The top floor will be mainly used for an emergency hospital. There are balf a dozen smaller rooms that con be turned into wards if necessary. The matrons' office and two or three women's cells will also be located on this floor. It is estimated that it will cost in the neighborhood of \$3,000 to make these various changes in the interior of the building.

mittee also decided to recommend

The committee believes that the building will make a good temporary fail, but the police officials are not at all pleased with it. The latter admit that the new location much better than the old, but they will consider that it is too far to one side of the city. They say also that it will be unfavorable to their work because it is planted in neighborhood of unsavory character. It is not believed that people will like the idea of going to that section of the city to make reports of criminal jobs, and to attend police court as witnesses.

# WILL USE IT FOR A COW PASTURE.

Douglas Addition to Revert to Its **Original** Condition. county commissioners are figuring on what they will do with the fifty acres of the ance arrived. After that he held onto his poor farm tract which has come back into man while some one telephoned the police. the possession of the county. They have about concluded to throw a fence around the land and use it for a pasture for the cattle that are kept on the farm. In speaking of the poor farm tract, Chair

"It wil not pay us to sell the property at this time. scheduler plans of the rearrangement of the as it is more valuable to the county. By intecior, and these will be submitted to the fencing in the land and using it for a pasture council for approval at the next meeting i we can cave a large stan of money, cs we he received a bullet in the shoulder. Wilco We will go bfore the city council and ack to have the streets and alleys vacated, and if this ta doue there will be nothing to prevent us from using the land for a pasture.

## Your wife's folks back cost are intereste

#### Will Hold a Lodge of Sorrow.

The Scottish Rite Masons will have the sad duty of performing the last rites of the order in memory of two members Saturday night. In addition to the funeral of Dr. W. O. Rogers, that of Walter Gilbert, engineer of the Twentleth-street street railway power house, who died suddenly Thursday, will be celebrated. The death of Mr. Gilbert was peculiarly sudden. The only known cause lent.

years ago. It caused a slight soreness in the region of the heart, which was most noticeable in bad weather. The storm yes terday afternoon emphasized his trouble and finally compelled him to leave his work. He went to the office of Dr. Lee for relief, but before this could be afforded he fell dead on the floor. He was 28 years old and un married.

Dr. Rogers' funecal will occur at 2 o'clock Sunday. It will be held under the auspices of the Woodmen of the World and all members of the camps in this city, South Omaha Council Bluffs and Florence will meet at the Woodmen hall at 12 o'clock. There they will form in line and march to the residence, 2438 Manderson street. The interment will be in Forest Lawn cemetery. All fraternal orders of which Dr. Rogers was a member are invited to participate.

The Omaha Weekly Bee and New York

Weekly Tribune one year for 90 cents. You can have The Bee sent to your friends in the east and take the Tribune yourself. You

HIGHWAYMAN HENDRICKS ON TRIAL of Miss Jacobs against the Burlington oc-

Desperate Young Man Called on to Face Several Serious Charges. Charles Hendricks, slight of stature and young in years, is on trial in the criminal section of the district court, charged with highway robbery. The particular charge

ugainst Hendricks is that on the night of December 11, 1897, at Thirty-sixth and Farnam streets, he met Nels Nelson, and, flashing a revolver in his face, made him dis-

gorge all of his wealth-10 cents. Hendricks has been identified by Nelson as the highwayman who relieved him of his money. It is more than likely that Hen-dricks would have escaped had he not uttempted another job the same evening. After robbing Nelson he went a couple of blocks up the street and meeting Nels Beneon commanded him to throw up his hands. Instead of doing so Benson pitched into Hendricks, knocked him down, took away him revolver and held him until assist-

Upon the arrival of the officers Benson placed the man in their custody and then went on home as composed as though noth-

ing had happened. This same Hendricks who is on trial is charged with holding up and attempting to rob Chan Wilcox at Sixteenth and Castellar streets early in December lost. Wilcox re-garded the attack upon him as a joke and refused to throw up his hands. For this he received a bullet in the shoulder. Wilcox Wilcox

Morrow Files Amended Petition. In the suit of H. P. Morrow against S. J. Rothwell the plaintiff files an amended petition in which he alleges that he has lost several thousand dollars by reason of a trade

made with the defendant. The plaintiff says that he traded a valuable home in Kountze Place for a worthless tract of land in Knox county, this state. He further states that Rothwell made representations which he now finds were absolutely faine. He asks the court to set the transfer aside and restore to him the title to the property which he owned in this city.

Since securing the title to the Kountze Place property Rothwell has sold the same. The plaintiff asks that this transfer be set aside and that it be adjudged to be fraudu-

### Jane Anderson Acquitted.

Jane Andecson, a woman some 40 years of age, had a trial in the crimical court, charged with burgiary, harboring thieves and secreting stolen property. The woman is a comparative stranger in Omaha, having located here last fall. Ralph Messersmith of the parties who speni a goodly portion of his time at the Anderson house, was con-

victed of burglary a couple of days ago. Witnesses on the stand testified that the property stolen by Messersmith, or at least a portion of it, was found in the house of the Anderson woman. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

#### Miss Jacobs' Damage Suit.

The case of Effie M. Jacobs against the Burlington Reliread company, brought here from Cass county and now on trial before

curred at Greenwood, this slate, three years ago, at which time the plaintiff was 14 years of age. She was walking along the main track of the railroad near the depot and fell. Before getting off the track a train came along and cut off both her feet. She alleges that the railroad company is liable for the reason that the engineer should have seen

her lying upon the track, as she fell when the train was ninety feet distant. In defending, the railroad people admit that the accident to Miss Jacobs occurred, but contend that it is a case of contributory negligence, that the girl was a trespasser and did not use ordinary care and precaution

Notes from the Courts.

In the case of Ure against Benecke, Judge Evans has allowed the foreclosure of a tax lien.

Georgia Sheppard has been granted a decree in the case brought against her hus-band, Charles Sheppard.

Katherine Hinchman has been divorced from Joseph Hinchman and has had her mainden name, Katherine S. Blood, restored.

#### **County Road Specifications**

County road specifications have been prepared by County Surveyor McBride and approved by the county commissioners. The specifications are now in the hands of contractors and bids for paying the extension of the Dodge and Center street roads will be opened at noon on April 1.

The specifications provide for proposals on sheet asphaltum, store block, vitrified brick and macadam. Park cushing is proposed along the entire distance to be paved. The commissioners figure that the money availin the permanent road fund will extend the paving a distance of about three miles on each road.

#### Belleve Call Insane.

Henry Call, who was arrested for steal-ing a couple of ducks from an establishment at Twentieth and Cuming streets sev. ment at Twentieth and Curning streets sev-eral days ago, is to be examined as to his sanity. When he was arrested he was in such an advanced stage of d'ilirium tremens that he was not tried at once. He has not improved since, and a physician is to bo called to examine him. Cal is an old resi-dent of the city and held a position with a local brewery for sixteen years. About a year ago he commenced to drink hard and has kept it up since. Some time ago his wife and four children left him.

#### McKisson Wius in Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, March 11 .- The bitterest republican municipal fight waged in Cleveland for years terminated last night at the primary election in a sweeping victory for the McKisson administration and defeat of the alleged street railroad candidates for places on the counclimanic tickets. The McKissonites captured ten out of the eleven counclimanic districts.

#### Acquitted of Soliciting a Bribe.

CHICAGO, March 11.-Assessor Richard C. Gunning was today found not guilty of the charge of soliciting a bribe. Two other

the charge of solicities a brice. Two other of a similar nature to the one on which he has just stood trial and one of malfeasance in office. It is said by the state's attor-ney that the former case will be called for trial immediately.

Judge Baker and a jury, is attracting con-siderable attention. The plaintiff seeks to the lungs. Brown's Bronchial Troches give recover the sum of \$50,000 alleged damages. sure and immediati relief. Sold only in The accident that is the basis of the suit boxes. Price 25 cents. A slight cold. if neglected, often attacks