

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Councilman Stubb the Bright Particular Star of Last Night's Session.

HIS SCINTILLATIONS WITHOUT EFFECT

City Fathers Finally Decide What City Department Shall Spend This Year and Turn Down a Herdman Gang Resolution.

Councilman Stubb perpetrated innumerable acrobatic feats in conjunction with the English language at the regular meeting of the city council last night. On several occasions he became as numerous as the leading juvenile who struts forward to seize the middle of the stage situation by the whiskers, and the fact that he was repeatedly rebuffed and turned down never checked him and he continued to assassinate the language. In a word, Councilman Stubb was the feature of the session.

Once he was caught napping. That was when the committee on fire, water and police recommended that his two pet ordinances, by which he proposed to abolish the present Board of Fire and Police Commissioners and to construct a new one out of the members of the city council, be placed on file. There being no objection, Acting Chairman Burmeister declared the report adopted. Stubb was talking when this action was taken, but somebody called his attention to it.

"Say, what was that? What was that?" he called out.

The chairman explained and Stubb insisted that the matter had never been considered in committee of the whole. Acting Chairman Burmeister insisted that it had. Stubb wanted to know when.

Makes a Flowery Speech.

The councilman from the First ward, however, had an opportunity to deliver a flowery speech when the appropriation ordinance came up. There were two reports. The majority, signed by Stubb and Burmeister, was in favor of the ordinance as first drawn. The minority report recommended the increase that had been determined in a committee of the whole Monday afternoon—raising the mayor's appropriation from \$4,000 to \$4,500, that of the city engineer from \$10,800 to \$12,500, that of the building inspector from \$2,370 to \$3,170 and that of the chief inspector from \$1,000 to \$1,200.

Councilman Stubb dwelt upon several "well known facts" for half an hour regarding the tax eaters' habits of grazing "on the public crib," but his effort was unavailing. His motion to adopt the majority report was supported by himself, Burmeister and Burley and the minority report was adopted with only the same two votes recorded in the negative. The amended ordinance was passed on the third reading by the same vote.

Against Stubb's objections, also, the council placed on file the resolution ordering the building inspector to discharge his assistants and adopted a resolution according to which the city controller will be permitted to retain one or two extra clerks. The other clerk is to be discharged.

Councilman Lebeck introduced a resolution to appropriate \$2,000 out of the general fund for the salaries of the sewer maintaining force. The councilman explained that the amount will provide the salaries of two sewer inspectors who have been discharged on account of the small levy for the sewer maintaining fund. He declared that these inspectors are absolutely needed to properly look after the sewers.

This move on the part of his running mate brought Stubb to his feet with strenuous objections. He insisted that the men are not needed and the whole thing was intended to "keep an army on the public crib." He asserted that Lebeck himself had told him that these inspectors in past years have spent their time in "warming their fingers on a hot stove." He therefore moved that the resolution be referred.

Before the vote on the question was taken City Engineer Rosewater was called upon for an expression of opinion. He said that with the \$3,000 available for sewer maintenance but one foreman and three men are employed on sewer repairs. Two additional men, he said, would not keep the sewers in proper repair, but would be better than nothing. He denied that in the past the members of this force had done more idling than employes in other business.

Councilman Lebeck took occasion to remark that the members of the gang were getting too much wages for forty-five-hour-a-week work anyway, but City Engineer Rosewater asserted that the wages were none too great for the dirty work the men have to do.

The motion to refer was lost and the resolution was adopted, Stubb and Mount only voting in the negative.

Supreme Court Commission. The piece de resistance of all of the efforts of Councilman Stubb, however, occurred in connection with the following resolution, which was introduced under his name: That as a reflex of the sentiment of the people of the city of Omaha, the city council hereby express its approval of the action of Governor Poynter in vetoing the bill for the extension of the supreme court commission, said commission having failed to give the relief contemplated at the time of its creation and having proved a costly experiment to the taxpayers of the state, owing to the lawless course pursued by the commission in the systematic raids made by its members on the public treasury.

This document was drawn up by a member of the Herdman gang who was present in the council chamber, and this individual made no concealment of the fact. Stubb, however, did not know that the author of the resolution had disclosed his identity and he edited his fellow city fathers with a magnificent bluff. He declared that he had just come from Lincoln and had there discovered that not only hundreds but thousands of Nebraskans were in favor of the

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governor's action, although the news of the vote had not yet been telegraphed over the state. He also disclosed some "well known facts" about supreme court commissioners and their wives and sweethearts, sisters and aunts, feeding "on the public crib."

On the vote the resolution was turned down, the three populists of the council only voting in favor of it—Stubb, Lebeck and Burley.

In reporting the February appropriation ordinance the finance committee made recommendation that a number of items be stricken out for reasons in which the public generally will be interested. For example, the bills of the electric light company were laid over until the city attorney shall report whether, under the decision in the viaduct case, the viaduct lights included in the bills should not properly be paid by the railroad companies and not by the city. Items amounting to \$150 in favor of the Union Pacific company were also stricken out pending settlement of claims of the city against the railroad companies for viaduct repairs.

The committee also recommended that items in favor of John Grant and the Barber Asphalt company for repairing asphalt pavements during the last six months of 1898 amounting to some \$11,000 be stricken out and referred to the city attorney for an opinion as to whether or not the amount of these repairs should not be assessed against the property specially benefited.

Capitol Avenue Ordered Paved.

The repaving of Capitol Avenue was finally ordered. Two ordinances to this effect were passed on the third reading, one providing for a district from Eleventh to Twentieth and the other a district between Sixteenth and Eighteenth. The street was divided in this way in order to allow the block between Seventeenth and Eighteenth to be repaved in accordance with the wishes of the adjoining property owners.

An ordinance changing slightly the bounds of the market place was passed on the third reading. According to the new law, the market will not extend south of Howard street on Eleventh northwest of the east side of Eleventh. The new plumbing ordinance was also passed on the third reading.

An ordinance ordering the paving of Patrick avenue from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-seventh streets was read a first and second time and referred.

By resolution the president of the council will appoint a committee, consisting of himself and two other councilmen to confer with the South Omaha council and the county commissioners for the purpose of devising some plan whereby Vinton street between Twentieth and Twenty-fourth streets may be paved or otherwise placed in suitable condition for the heavy travel to which this street is subjected.

Amounts Due the County.

A statement was received from County Clerk Davenport of the amounts due the county from the city during the last year for commitments, bond and lodging of city prisoners. The aggregate of the bills is \$12,156.71. The statement was referred to the committee on finance and claims with instructions to determine the amount due the county from the city for the foregoing and lodging of county prisoners at the city jail.

Reactor & Wilhelm were given permission to erect a one-story corrugated iron warehouse, 12x12 feet, at Eighth and Howard streets. An ordinance was also introduced to extend the Omaha & Southwestern railroad to extend a side track.

The appointment by the mayor of J. Boucher, James Stockdale and Charles L. Thomas as appraisers to assess damages caused by the grading of Phelps street from Thirteenth to Sixteenth was approved.

The bill of extras, presented by Plumber N. W. Miller, for work done at the city jail, amounting to \$1,044.45, was formally disallowed.

FOR AN ENLARGED DIRECTORY

Board of Directors of the Greater Omaha Exposition Votes to Add Ten Members.

The question of the enlargement of the directory from twenty-five to thirty-five members was the principal question that was decided by the board of directors of the Greater Omaha Exposition at its meeting last night. The articles of incorporation provide that the board can be increased to this extent whenever it is considered desirable and after some discussion a resolution was adopted by which the provision which was utilized for the enlargement of the board was approved.

A considerable part of the meeting was occupied by discussion of plans for giving an element of novelty and originality to the coming show. It was the sentiment of the directors that an especial effort shall be made to give the exposition a colonial feature of the exhibition. In accordance with this plan the interiors of the buildings will be converted into bowers of tropical beauty by the lavish use of palms and other kinds of tropical vegetation which will be secured from the colonies. This will be the prevailing effect all over the grounds and the result will be to give the exposition a distinctively original and attractive appearance.

Telegram from Senator Thurston in which he stated that he would meet the representatives of the exposition in Washington at any time to confer in regard to securing governmental assistance in the matter of colonial exhibits, was received.

On account of the pressure of personal interests connected with the recent loss of his residence by fire President Miller has been given permission to delay his departure for Washington until later in the week if it is thought that the exposition is already on the way the matters in hand can be attended to by him until Dr. Miller can get away.

A number of additional concessions have been granted, most of which go to the same persons who operated them a year ago. The Chinese village concession was let to George Kay and those for the old plantation, scenic theater, cyclorama and moving pictures to E. W. McConnell. The proprietor of John R. Key to act as agent for the exposition has been accepted.

Business at the Custom House. The last statistics compiled by the Treasury department show that the trade is rapidly coming to the front in comparison with other Missouri river cities as an importer of foreign stuffs. In 1897 the imports that passed through the local custom house aggregated only \$135,911, as compared with \$259,442 at Kansas City. In 1898 Kansas City imports aggregated \$1,129,768, while receipts went up to \$189,981. The receipts for the current year as estimated on the records of the first quarter show a still further gain for Omaha. The department calculates that Omaha will handle \$281,809 in imports during the year, while Kansas City is only credited with \$176,704.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

It begins to look now as if the L street viaduct would at last be placed in a passable condition. Notwithstanding the fact that the city council failed to take decisive action on the ordinance compelling the Union Pacific railroad and the Union Stock Yards railroad to repair this bridge it is understood that these companies will commence the repair work on April 5. A quantity of material is now on hand and more has been ordered. The bridge will be replaced and the footwalk will be relaid. No effort will be made, however, to paint the iron work until warm weather arrives. Every piece of iron in this bridge will have to be scraped in order to remove the rust before any paint can be applied. General Manager Kenyon of the stock yards company and Chief Engineer King of the same company stated yesterday that as soon as the weather would permit a force of men would be put to work relaying the planking and walkway. Kington King said it would not be necessary to close the bridge, as one side would be taken at a time in order not to interrupt traffic.

Ed Johnston is a Barkin.

Ed Johnston, ex-mayor, is out after the democratic nomination for lieutenant of the Fourth ward. Mr. Johnston has been keeping his candidacy a secret until yesterday, when he mailed letters to a large number of voters of the Fourth ward soliciting support. The letter is a printed form and recites the reasons for his candidacy for government. Johnston promises, if elected, to do all he can to right those supposed wrongs. He pledges himself, if elected, to do all in his power to keep down city expenses. Johnston gives it as his opinion that with proper business management the levy this year should not exceed 40 mills.

Democratic Primaries.

Democratic primaries will be held Thursday at the following places: First ward, Twentieth and L streets; Second ward, Twenty-fifth and N streets; Third ward, Thirty-first and Q streets; Fourth ward, Thirty-eighth and L streets. At these primaries three delegates from each ward will be selected to attend the city convention to be held on Saturday at Pivonka's hall. Candidates for the city council will be selected at the primaries, so that there will be nothing for the convention to do except select three candidates for member of the Board of Education.

Price for Condemned Carcasses.

In connection with the effort of the Live-Stock exchange to secure better prices for condemned carcasses it may be stated that the packers all appear willing to pay Chicago prices. A few days ago a committee of the exchange waited upon the packers to discuss the matter and an agreement was readily reached. The packers have agreed to pay 15 per cent of the gross value of each condemned animal. This is quite an advance over the old plan of paying \$2 per carcass. Shippers all over Nebraska will be pleased to learn of this increased rate.

Insurance Men Organize.

At a meeting of representatives of all the fraternal insurance orders operating in this city a temporary organization was perfected for the purpose of combating adverse legislation. C. W. Miller is chairman and N. W. Miller is secretary of the temporary organization. A committee on permanent organization composed of Patrick Steeby, E. Craverson and W. J. Lawrence was appointed with instructions to report at the next meeting. The next meeting will be held at Modern Woodmen hall on March 24.

Mayor's Election Proclamation.

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Magic City Gosple.

H. Jenter of Chicago is visiting George H. Brewer.

W. M. Barr has resigned as manager of the Reed hotel.

Office Ed Hanley has returned to duty, after a short illness.

The funeral of Mrs. John Corcoran will be held this morning.

The democratic city central committee will meet at Judge Levy's office tonight.

The King's Daughters will meet with Mrs. R. B. Montgomery on Thursday afternoon.

A daughter has been born to Mrs. Mrs. Peter Shiffner, Seventeenth and J streets.

Mrs. A. H. Noyes, wife of Senator Noyes, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. L. Sutton.

The Bohemians of the Second ward have endorsed F. J. Little for councilman from that ward.

Friends of Patrick Trainer say that he will have no opposition in the Third ward this spring.

of Milwaukee railroad officials which visited the city yesterday. A private car of the party went through Armour's plant and inspected the grading at the west end of the property. After this inspection the car was wheeled back to Omaha.

CALLS AND CONTINUES CASES

Saloon Men Charged with Violating the Law Likely to Go Free.

Twenty cases against saloon men, who are charged with selling their places of business on Sunday and with keeping open after hours, were continued by Judge Gordon at the request of the city prosecutor until March 25. It is understood that these cases will probably be dismissed as very few convictions have been made in their class. The cases against Max Friedwald, 712 North Sixteenth street, and W. H. Kessler, Thirtieth and Arbor streets, were dismissed for want of prosecution. They were charged with keeping open on Sunday and selling liquor on Sunday respectively. The evidence against them was produced by detectives detailed for that purpose and as the court had held this not to be good testimony the city prosecutor did not consider it worth while to waste time in prosecuting the cases.

John Hartman Entered a Plea of Guilty to Stealing \$150 from Edward Bauer and was Sent to the County Jail for Thirty Days.

A warrant was issued for the arrest of Julius Slobodinsky, 1214 Davenport street, at the request of Daniel Kline, who accused him of assault and battery. The case against Slobodinsky was continued for trial until March 25. A warrant was also issued for the arrest of John Hartman, who is charged with stealing \$150 from Edward Bauer and was sent to the county jail for thirty days.

REVENUE STAMPS ON BONDS

Collector Houtz Gives a Ruling Handled Down by Commissioner Wilson.

Among the numerous misunderstandings on the part of citizens that have been caused by the operation of the revenue stamp law, one of the most frequent has occurred in connection with the stamping of bonds which are secured by mortgages. Many people did not understand that the mortgage should be stamped and whether it was necessary to stamp both and this has resulted in a good deal of annoyance to revenue officials. Collector Houtz has just received a ruling from Commissioner Wilson on the part of citizens that have been caused by the operation of the revenue stamp law, one of the most frequent has occurred in connection with the stamping of bonds which are secured by mortgages.

THE OLD WAY.

Of Treating Dyspepsia and Indigestion by Dieting a Dangerous and Useless One.

IN HAWAII AND PHILIPPINES

New Possessions in the Pacific Vicinity Described by an Entertaining Lecturer.

Through peaceful groves of whispering palm in Hawaii and amid the thunderous booming of Dewey's guns at Manila, Prof. E. W. Warren Clark led an intensely interested audience last night on a tour through our newly acquired possessions in the Pacific.

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...AMUSEMENTS...

The piano recital given at the First Congregational church last evening by Mr. Joseph Gahn, assisted by Mr. Charles Higgins, violinist and Master Carl Smith, violoncellist, furnished a forcible illustration of the fact that Omaha music lovers are no longer required to depend upon foreign artists for entertainment of a really high order. Few of the numerous concerts that have been given in this city have been more deserving of commendation or more heartily enjoyed. It is creditable to local musical taste that in spite of a potent counter attraction every seat in the large auditorium of the church was occupied and by an audience that gave liberal evidence of its appreciation of the admirable performance of Mr. Gahn and his associates.

CHARLES HAS A NEW SCHEME

Fifth Ward Councilman Proposes to Abolish the City Advisory Board.

Councilman Lebeck of the Fifth ward is connecting a scheme to abolish the Advisory Board and to add its duties to those already borne by the city council. This reconstructed board is to meet every Monday afternoon. His chairman is to be the president of the board.

YOU ARE TAKING A TERRIBLE RISK.

Have you ever considered what neglecting your kidneys means? Have you ever realized the terrible risk you are taking? Do you not pass on the streets, every day, men and women whose countenances show that the final stake is up and the die being cast? How many you know them? By their pale, sallow, sunken or bloated countenances, dull, lack-luster eyes, puffing dark circles under the eyes, languid movements, hunched, pimpled, unhealthy complexions and general appearance, weakness and debility.

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