WRANGLE OVER AMENDMENTS

Taxpayers and City Officials Lock Horns Over Charter Revision.

BOTH CONDEMN CROW PAVING BILL

Douglas County's Legislators Break Their Promise to Be Present—Another Meeting to Be Held Saturday for Their Benefit.

The friends and opponents of the charter revision bill now pending in the legislature assembled in the council chamber about 200 strong last night for the purpose of talking at the representatives and senators of Douglas county about the measure—of presenting a continued chapter of the arguments that were made before the delegation at Lincoln last Tuesday and were adjourned to allow the legislators to attend the Hayward banquet. This banquet, however, seemed to have been too much for the lawmakers, for they telegraphed that they could not attend the session. Having come to talk, though, the meeting was not to be disouraged at the absence of their prospective listeners and argued for a couple of hours at each other. Adjournment was taken until next Saturday, when the Douglas county legislators have promised to be on hand and play in the cast of audience.

The meeting, however, took definite action in one respect. It emphatically expressed its disapproval of the Crow paving bill by a unanimous vote, a resolution to that effect by City Engineer Rosewater carrying without a single dissenting voice. This is the bill that takes away from the mayor and council the power of ordering paving without petition, but subject to protest of property owners, and also abolishes the competitive system by which contracts for paving are awarded.

Henry W. Yates appeared to be about the only advocate of this bill. He was also the spokesman for the band of so-called heavy taxpayers who are fighting the charter amendment bill. He was on the floor during a goodly portion of the meeting, and was the first talker of the evening, being recognized immediately after the meeting organized by electing W. S. Selby chairman. He pointed out in detail the various matters in the bill to which he was opposed.

Yates' Argument.

Mr. Yates laid down as the foundation proposition of his remarks that what Omaha needs is a reduction of taxation and therefore a reduction in the cost of running the city government. With this principle in mind he discussed the amendments. One of the first sections he took up was the effort to raise the salaries of the city clerk and comptroller from $1,800 to $2,500 a year. The present salary, he said, was more than men who did similar work in business establishments receive. A reason for this increase, he stated, is assigned in the fact that other city officials are receiving proportionately higher salary. What should be done, he maintained, is to lower the other salaries.

Mr. Yates also found objection to the amendment which will permit the mayor and council to order repaving without petition subject to protest within thirty days, the similar provision to the one which governs paving in the present charter. He insisted that such a law would be very pernicious, as, on account of the indifference or absence of property owners, it would be decidedly difficult to get up a majority protest. In place of such a change he insisted that the present paving law should be so amended as to put it on the same plane as repaving—that paving may not be ordered unless petitioned for.

Mr. Yates also found fault with the proposed amendment compelling property owners to accept the cheapest kind of desired paving—brick, asphalt or stone—offered in competition, even if they want to pay more money in order to get the best pavement. All these faults, Mr. Yates said, were remedied by the Crow paving bill now before the legislature.

Talks for the Railroads.

Banker Yates then took up and opposed the amendment by which it is proposed to compel the railroads to pay as much city taxes as other property owners in Omaha.

"I am a banker and interested in railroad securities," explained Mr. Yates. "I also ride on railroad passes. But everybody who knows me knows that this does not prejudice me in favor of railroads. I want them to pay their just taxes, but I do not believe in squeezing them."

Mr. Yates then went on to say that the Burlington could have done its business easily in the old cowsheds, but the public wanted and demanded something better. This demand was met and satisfied in the present "magnificent structure which is the equal of any depot anywhere."

"Isn't that grand?" demanded Mr. Yates. "And now they want to tax that magnificent building and those sidetracks out of sight!"

Mr. Yates went on to say that if this railroad amendment were retained it would be sure to kill the whole bill.

Mr. Yates then took up the amendments increasing the limit of the fire fund from $125,000 to $150,000 and the sinking fund from $200,000 to $350,000. The fire department is as good as is required, he asserted, and need not be increased. Regarding the sinking fund, he maintained that the present is no time to pay off debts. He advised rather that the city should renew its bonds at a lower rate of interest and pay off some time in the future.

The scheme to substitute for the present 7 per cent warrant system another by which certificates of indebtedness will be issued to draw only 4 per cent when there are no funds available was also objected to by Mr. Yates. He insisted that these certificates would have to run at least a year, while the warrants can be taken in whenever money is in the treasury. The result would be that the interest charge would be greater.

Mr. Yates then made objection to the poll tax law. He insisted that the $2 tax on every male citizen could be collected only at a cost greater than the collections would be. The scheme could also enable the tax commissioner and his deputies to overlook their friends, Mr. Yates said.

"I do not say that this law was gotten up with a dishonest purpose," he casually remarked, "but I tumbled onto the scheme."

Wattles Replies.

In answer to a call from the spectators, Gurdon W. Wattles answered some of Mr. Yates' arguments, confining himself, however, to the amendment providing for a substitution of certificates of indebtedness for interest-bearing warrants. Mr. Wattles declared that the certificate plan has been tried with great success by other cities, where they frequently draw as low as 2½ per cent. He predicted that such certificates in Omaha could be floated at 3½ per cent, and therefore insisted that it would be nothing but business policy to issue such paper instead of warrants drawing 7 per cent. He disagreed with Mr. Yates that these certificates must run for a year, but said they might be issued for a few months.

City Engineer Rosewater attacked Mr. Yates' advocacy of the Crow bill. He asserted that that measure would destroy competition and Omaha would have to pay as high a price for its asphalt pavement, for example, as it did in past years, before the competitive system was adopted.

The result of this competitive system, said Mr. Rosewater, has been to give Omaha asphalt for the lowest price in the country under the best conditions that can be made—a requirement from contractors under guaranty bond to maintain pavements for a period of five years. Omaha's success has resulted in the adoption of this competitive system by other cities.

"If this system is dropped now we will get back to the days of corruption," said City Engineer Rosewater. "Suppose 40 per cent of the property owners want Trinidad asphalt. The Trinidad asphalt people—as they have done before—will offer rebates to 11 per cent more of the property owners and in this way a dearer pavement will be laid than half the property owners can perhaps pay for. And it will be the same whenever other pavements of specified manufacture are asked for. These rebates and bribes, too, will not be given to the small property owners, but to the one who has large holdings and whose signature will therefore be worth more on the petition. That is what has been done in this city and in other cities of the country."

As to Colorado Sandstone.

During the course of his argument Mr. Yates had stated that by the competitive system not only had paving, but also bad curbing, is being placed in the city. Colorado sandstone, he said, is known to be the best curbstone and yet it is not selected unless it is offered for the lowest money. This fact is inducing the Colorado sandstone people to withdraw from the city and Mr. Yates predicted that it would be hard for Omaha to get its curbing in the future. In answer to this, Mr. Rosewater said:

"It is not strange that Mr. Yates should be advocating the Crow bill, because it will allow Colorado sandstone curbing to be put in at a higher price than is being paid by the city for curbing now, for the reason that Mr. Yates is interested in the Colorado sandstone quarries."

The city engineer's remarks were heartily applauded. This encouraged him to introduce the resolution that the meeting disapprove of the Crow bill. As already stated, this resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote, although Mr. Yates spoke before the vote was called for.

Without taking up any of the other amendments, the meeting adjourned to Saturday night.

OBSERVE ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Irish Men and Women to Indulge in Oratory and Song.

For some years past the Irishmen of the city have not looked with favor upon the celebration of St. Patrick's day by the old parades that once were indispensable features to the proper celebration of the day. They are not, however, lacking in patriotism, and this evening at the Trocadero an entertainment will be given for the benefit and under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Some of the choicest musical and literary talent of the city is represented on the program and a large attendance is assured. Hon. C. J. Smyth will be president of the meeting.

The program is as follows:

March, respectfully dedicated to A. O. H., by Julius Thiele
Salute to Erin, arranged by Thomas Coates
Orchestra, composed of Omaha's most talented musicians, under the leadership of Julius Thiele
Opening Address ..... Hon. C. J. Smyth, Chairman
Vocal Solo—Asthore ..... Mrs. T. F. O'Brien
Quartet—St. Patrick's Day
The Misses O'Rourk and Graham, Messrs. Barton and Muckley
Recitation—Erin's Flag ..... M. P. O'Connor
Vocal Solo—Kathleen Mavourneen ..... H. V. Burkley
Song and Dance ..... Marie Snowden
Vocal Solo—Every American Girl is a Queen ..... Rose Brady
Recitation—Dawn on the Irish Coast ..... D. J. Hurley
Vocal Solo—Killarney ..... Miss Genevieve Croft
Speech—Anglo-American Alliance ..... T. J. Mahoney
Vocal Solo—The Harp that Once Thro' Tara's Halls ..... Jules Lumbard
Piano Solo ..... Miss Susie Brady
Vocal Solo—Eileen Allanna ..... Mrs. Corby
Cornet Solo—Cushleen Lawn ..... P. Casey
Vocal Solo—Minstrel Boy ..... Clinton Miller
Vocal Solo—Wearing of the Green ..... Joe Barton
Quartet—Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms
The Misses O'Rourk and Graham, Messrs. Barton and Burkley
Address—The Day We Celebate ..... Rev. E. Hayes
Descriptive Dance of the Goblins ..... Orchestra
Solo—God Save Ireland ..... Joe Barton. Miss Susie Brady, accompanist

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is pleasant to take. Children never object to it. This medicine positively cures cough and cold.

KEEP ON WITH THEIR WORK

Scottish Rite Masons Confer Degrees Upon Candidates.

The reunion of Scottish Rite Masons continues with marked interest on the part of members of the fraternity. Yesterday the ritualistic ceremonies were in charge of Saint Andrew's Preceptory, which conferred the degrees from the nineteenth to the thirtieth. The final degrees will be conferred today by Nebraska Consistory No. 1, and the reunion will end with an elaborate banquet in the evening. The tables will be spread in the Masonic building, and all the candidates who have been running the gauntlet of the degrees during the week, as well as a large number of visiting Masons, will participate in the felicitations.

The last of the evening business sessions of the Scottish Rite was held last night at Masonic hall, and there will now be only one more meeting for business, convening at 1:30 p. m. today, the banquet tonight closing the convocation.

The Madrigal quartet sang appropriate music, one of the best selections being "Dear Lord, Remember Me," arranged by Harry Rowe Shelley from Beethoven.

The processional, "The Son of God Goes Forth to War," was also a stirring number and the chanting of the various music portions was very effective.

Twenty-eight candidates were received into the mysteries and the proceedings ended at a late hour.

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Ayer's Sarsaparilla

will take it out.

Other kinds may, but probably will not.

IS NOW BEHIND THE BARS

Cooley, ex-Cashier of the Omaha Road, Called in Police Court.

DEFENDANT ENTERS A PLEA OF NOT GUILTY

Bond Fixed at $1,500 by Judge Gordon and the Case is Set for Trial on March 27.

A formal information alleging the embezzlement of $1,936.20 has been filed against Thomas H. Cooley, ex-cashier of the Omaha road. Cooley was arraigned and entered a plea of not guilty to four counts and his bond was place dat $1,500. The case was set for trial March 27 at 10 o'clock. It is expected that the defendant will be able to procure bond in a day or two. In the meantime he is incarcerated in the county jail.

The information contains four specific counts and is sworn to by J. B. Elsefler, ticket agent for the Omaha road at the Webster Street depot. The first count alleges the receipt of a check for $1,083.20, which Cooley indorsed, had cashed and converted to his own use on February 3. The second count charges the embezzlement of $443.10, and the third of $409.80 on February 18. The last count alleges the conversion of the last sum which is asserted to have belonged to the Omaha road.

An attorney appeared as counsel for the defendant, and after the entrance of the pleas of not guilty and the naming of the amount of the bond he urged that $1,000 would be reasonable bail for the offense charged, while he thought $1,500 was exorbitant. The court declined to lower the amount, however, and the defendant was remanded to jail. The defendant took matters quietly and did not show the least perturbation during the reading of the information. His friends have not forsaken him, so it is expected that bond will be forthcoming soon.

STORY OF LIFE OF CHRIST

Prof. Clark Gives His Lecture, Showing Pictures of Crucifixion of Savior.

Prof. E. Warren Clark's second illustrated lecture in a series of three, from Tissot's pictures of the Christ life, was given in the auditorium of the Young Men's Christian association Thursday evening in the presence of a fair audience. After giving a panoramic view of Jerusalem as it was supposed to be in the days of its glory, followed by another of the city in its decay, and a third showing it as it stands today, he took up the life of Christ as told in the scriptures. Views were given of the shepherds in the forest when the angel appeared before them, of the wise men before Herod, informing the king of their destination, and the troubled look upon the face of the monarch as he hears the story of the new king of the Jews. A few pictures were exhibited showing the artist's conception of Christ as he appeared during the thirty years of silence, as a boy and as a young man.

The scriptural story of the life of Christ was closely followed, only interspersed at times by some view made necessary to give the observer a better idea of the country and locality. The betrayal, trial and sentence, with the long journey of suffering to Calvary, and the crucifixion, were vividly illustrated, and during some of the more impressive scenes the effect was heightened by the excellent reading of the attendant descriptive lessons from the new testament by Rev. T. J. Mackay. The lowering of the body from the cross, its recumbent position after being prepared for interment, with the mourning women surrounding it; the resurrection from the tomb, and the enveloping by the clouds previous to ascension, were full of interest to anyone familiar with the story of the Messiah.

There is a feeling of almost supreme reverence on the part of the spectator as the pictures are moved upon the canvas. An impression irresistibly forces itself upon one that for the moment time has turned back through the centuries to the period of the world's greatest tragedy. No sound broke the silence save the voice of the lecturer—applause would have been profanation.

Prof. Clark will deliver the last of his lectures at the same place this evening, his subject being the miracles and parables of Christ.

SHE TAKES CARBOLIC ACID

Anna Petersen, as the Result of a Love Affair, Swallows Poison.

Anna Petersen, aged 16, decided that without the affection of Albert DeWitt life was not worth living and solved her problem of difficulties last night by swallowing a bottle of carbolic acid.

It appears that Anna, who is employed as a domestic at the residence of Byron R. Hastings, had been calling on her parents, who live at 2722 South Twentieth street, and while there Mrs. Petersen had taken advantage of the occasion to give her a motherly lecture in stating her objections to the attentions paid her daughter by young DeWitt, who lives in that neighborhood. Mrs. Petersen states that Anna seemed to take her warning in good part and left the house about 5 p. m. without giving the slightest intimation of the rash step which she was about to take. It is not known where she obtained the poison, but half an hour later she was found by a carrier named Shanberg lying on a flight of steps at the corner of Poppleton avenue and Twenty-fourth street, her face disfigured by the fiery liquid and she was writhing in the agonies of death.

She was carried into a neighboring residence and Dr. Merriam called to her assistance, but she was past all human aid and soon died. Coroner Swanson was at once notified and the body now lies at his office on Cuming street.

In her pocket were found two letters, one to her lover and the other to her parents, both stating that she was weary of life and had made up her mind to die for love.

GOES TO SEEK WORKS OF ART

Director Key Goes East to Secure Exhibits for the Exposition.

John R. Key, who was recently appointed art director for the Greater America Exposition, will leave in a few days on a trip to the principal cities east and west for the purpose of securing the material for the art exhibit, which is expected to be one of the most interesting features of the exposition. He will make a special effort to secure fine art exhibits of an educational character, devoting particular attention to pictures that illustrate Mexican and tropical topics, and that refer in some degree to the colonial possessions. He will not limit the exhibit to the fine arts, but will include everything that is ornamental in a home. Different features of decorative art will be prominent in the completed exhibit.

Mr. Key begins his mission with considerable enthusiasm, as his personal acquaintance with artists and galleries in all the large cities will be of the greatest assistance to him in securing the best types for representation at Omaha.

The executive committee decided upon the musical director for the coming season, and the appointment fell to the lot of Thomas J. Kelly, who achieved great success by the popular features of last year's big show. Mr. Kelly will proceed at once to make arrangements for the concerts of the summer and will secure the best bands that can be obtained. As the appointment came as somewhat of a surprise to him, he is unable to state at present what bands he will have, but he says that the Omaha people will be very likely to get just what they want.

An important feature of the action of the committee was the placing of the Auditorium in the hands of the musical director and his office will be in that building, where he will be in touch with all of the concerts, whether given in the Band stand on the Plaza or in the Auditorium.

Notes of the Exposition.

I. N. Simpson, who is in the east securing live exhibits from the large manufacturing concerns, wires Secretary Smith that he has secured applications for 8,120 feet of additional space for this purpose. These are from half a dozen of the biggest manufacturing establishments in the United States.

C. O. Lobeck and James Stephenson have gone to St. Louis to represent the exposition in securing exhibits and advertising the enterprise through the south.

About a dozen additional applications for concessions have been filed with the executive committee by Superintendent Burns. The only additional contract that has been approved is that with Isellis Nimi for the Streets of Cairo concession.

MUNGER CONFIRMS THE SALE

Final Act in Court Relative to Disposition of Union Pacific Lands.

The final steps in the recent sale of Union Pacific lands by Sherman E. Day under the sinking fund foreclosure proceedings were taken in United States court Thursday. A stipulation signed by all the parties in interest was filed. The objections previously filed were consequently overruled and Judge Munger signed the order confirming the report of the special master.

Judge Sanborn has confirmed the sale of the claims of the Union Pacific against the Boise City Railroad and Terminal company, fifty Union Pacific Coal company bonds and the claim of the Oregon Short Line.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Fourth annual ball of Switchmen's Union of North America at Washington hall Friday, March 17. Tickets, admitting gentleman and lady, 50 cents.

Revival meetings are being held at the Swedish Methodist Episcopal church, 916 North Eighteenth street, every evening this week. Rev. M. L. Wickman from Chicago assists Rev. C. O. Karlson. Special services for the young people Friday evening.

The contractors who secured the job of putting in the gas and electric light fixtures in the new postoffice have begun work. Up to this time the only light available has been from the temporary fixtures that were installed until the upper floors of the building were completed.

No information has yet been received from Washington in regard to action on the plans for remodeling the old federal building. The plans and estimates submitted by this department were approved some time ago and instructions to begin work are expected at any time.

Thieves stripped the trolley wires of the East Omaha Street railway of 100 feet of brass wire early Wednesday morning. The wires were known to be in place late Tuesday night. This is the second or third theft of the kind that has occurred recently, but the first that this company has reported.

D. C. Dodge was arrested upon the complaint of Mrs. Sarah Cummings, who runs a boarding house on Sherman avenue. Dodge entered a plea of being drunk, but denied that he had assaulted anyone. His left wrist was badly sprained and his hand considerably swollen. His case was continued for trial.

Judge Munger of the United States court has signed an order by which the clerk of the court is directed to return to the Farmers' Loan and Trust company what remains of the $50,000 that was deposited to cover the cost of the sale of the American Water Works property in the foreclosure proceedings which were concluded a year or two ago.

The Roman history section of Unity club holds its regular meeting this evening at the residence of G. W. Lininger, corner Eighteenth street and Capitol avenue. The following papers will be read: "Diocletian Reforms in Provincial Administration," P. L. Haller; "Roman Municipalities," J. W. Roudebush; "Roman Fiscal System," J. W. Woodrough.

Dr. McQuoid of the First Methodist Episcopal church will occupy his pulpit Sunday morning, notwithstanding the fact that he is suffering from appendicitis. Unless he is better within a few days he will submit to the performing of an operation. Having some doubts as to the results which may follow in the event that an operation is performed, the doctor urges his friends to attend the services.

The postoffice building contractors are nearly ready to move out. The building is complete with the exception of some odd jobs that require only two or three men and there is nothing to indicate that any work is going on. The corridors have been cleared of the rubbish that accumulated while the workmen were in possession and the floors have been scrubbed until they are as clean as a housewife's kitchen.

The one-story frame dwelling occupied by Ellsworth Mushaum, 976 North Twenty-seventh street, was damaged by fire yesterday morning at 8 o'clock. A defective chimney started the blaze. It is estimated that it will require an expenditure of $100 to repair the building, which is owned by Mrs. Peterson of Oregon. It is insured for $700. The loss on the contents is placed at $50, with $500 insurance.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

O. D. Norford and wife of Ashland are in Omaha.

W. J. Donavan of Des Moines, a drug man, is at the Iler Grand.

Congressman E. J. Burkett of Lincoln is making a visit in Omaha.

Judge Marvin Warren of Fairbury called upon Judge Baker Thursday.

G. W. Hull of Salt Lake City, a Pullman conductor, is at the Iler Grand.

Judge Samuel M. Chapman of Plattsmouth was an Omaha visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Markel have gone to Chicago for a visit of a few days.

John D. Holliday of Galveston, a large cattle dealer, is at the Iler Grand.

Ex-State Senator Harry C. Lindsay of Pawnee City is a visitor in the city.

H. C. Wagner, traveling passenger agent for the Milwaukee road, is in the city.

F. M. Libbie of St. Joseph, a traveling passenger agent for the Santa Fe, is at the Iler Grand.

R. S. Van Tassell and P. S. Hagh of Cheyenne, a couple of Wyoming's leading cattlemen, are in the city.

H. S. Gray of Kansas City, traveling passenger agent for the Central railroad of Georgia, is at the Iler Grand.

W. J. Lawrence, New York; B. H. Vincent, San Francisco; H. P. Bailey, Philadelphia; W. B. Barteau, M. B. Wood, F. W. Scott, Chicago, are traveling men at the Iler Grand.

Major Jesse M. Lee, U. S. A., the representative of Major General Miles before the beef court of inquiry, arrived in Omaha last evening. He was not with the board during its session here yesterday, but accompanied it to Kansas City.

Nebraskans at the hotels: M. J. Berry, Hastings; H. C. Spaulding, Ord; N. Levy, Hastings; John Finnell, Yutan; W. H. Harrum, Auburn; Orville M. Stonebraker, C. D. Traphagen, G. R. Wolf, O. J. King, Lincoln; W. K. Laughridge, Pleasant Dale; C. B. Rogers, Wymore; W. B. Kinnaman, Fairbury; W. F. Currie, Lincoln; George O. Brown, Comal.

At the Kloodike: M. Schultz, West Point; L. McGinnis, North Bend; C. S. Walker, Sioux City; F. C. Mesenbrink, Denison, Ia.; J. B. Johnson and wife, E. Hall, Minneapolis; Frank McNeary, St. Paul, Neb.; A. S. Colvert, Sioux City; M. H. Kanady, St. Louis; J. P. Sloan, Sloan, Ia.; M. D. Kane, Waterloo, Ill.; Frank Hamilton, St. Joseph, Mo.; F. Beamish, Sioux City; E. Barr, Lincoln.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

Republican primaries will be held today to select four delegates from each ward to attend the nominating convention on Saturday. Four ward councilmen and three members of the Board of Education are to be nominated. As there is no contest in sight the primaries will most likely pass off with a greater degree of harmony than did the democratic affair of yesterday. The delegates and candidates follow:

First ward—A. R. Kelly for councilman; delegates, A. L. Lott, D. M. Glick, Miles Mitchell, E. T. Miller.

Second ward—F. J. Fittle for councilman; delegates, Joseph Koutsky, J. Brober, Peter Olson, Samuel Nevins.

Third ward—F. J. Trainor for councilman; delegates, Michael Smith, G. Byrne, P. Olsen, James Shields.

Fourth ward—M. J. Stillmock for councilman; delegates, Charles Cummings, Henry Ally, O. E. Bruce, W. Porkaski.

The following will act as judges and clerks at the primaries: First ward, Joe Madura, I. J. Buckley, W. Gordon. Second ward, Dan McGookin, James Tobias, Joe Dvorak. Third ward, C. A. Evans, John O'Neil, William Grassiose; Fourth ward, O. E. Bruce, Charles Cummings, Steve Jenness.

As the places for holding the primaries have already been printed, most if not all of the republicans are aware of the locations.

Democrats Hold Primaries.

The democratic primaries, held Thursday, passed off quietly enough, the only contest being in the Fourth ward where Ed Johnson and Charles Weiner were making a fight for the nomination. Johnson was on hand early with his workers and it was reported that he had the support of the Cudahy Packing company. The administration democrats opposed Johnston and Mayor Ensor was on hand to give his personal attention to the fight. When the ballots were counted the total showed that 308 votes had been cast and that Johnston had been defeated by twenty votes.

The delegates are:

First ward—D. S. Curtis, James Pollard, W. H. Rawley.

Second ward—Joseph Ferdy, M. Connelly, Rollie Redmond.

Third ward—William Martin, James Murphy, Charles Mies.

Fourth ward—William Connors, Valentine Karbowski, John Kane.

Judging from the delegations selected the nominations for councilmen will be as follows: First ward, T. T. Munger; Second ward, E. P. Conley; Third ward, Thomas Costello; Fourth ward, Charles Weiner.

Insane Man in the Park.

Chief Carroll was called upon Wednesday night and yesterday to care for an insane man who escaped from St. Joseph's hospital. The man was found late Wednesday evening wandering about in the vicinity of Syndicate park. He was hatless, coatless and shoeless. The chief placed the unfortunate in custody at the city jail while he conducted an investigation. It was found that the man's name was Leonard Rottenholder and he had been sent from Saunders county to St. Joseph's hospital for treatment. At police headquarters Rottenholder asserted that he had run away from the hospital because he was afraid the doctors or someone else might harm him. Chief Carroll sent to the hospital for the man's clothes, and yesterday afternoon he was taken to the county jail for safekeeping.

Death of Mrs. Mullins.

Mrs. W. E. Mullins died at her home, Twenty-second and I streets, Thursday afternoon after a brief illness. A short time ago Mrs. Mullins was taken to an Omaha hospital where she underwent an operation for kidney trouble. She rallied from the shock of the operation and was, to all appearances, growing stronger every day. Yesterday she took a sudden turn for the worse and expired. W. E. Mullins, husband of the deceased, is foreman of the beef killing department at Swift's. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mullins are well known here and hosts of friends mourn with the stricken husband in his loss. Arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

Magic City Gossip.

Councilman Wear has returned from a trip to Lincoln.

Henry Mies is in St. Joseph, Mo., looking after business matters.

Mrs. Hamilton, head nurse at the South Omaha hospital, is sick.

For quick returns place a want advertisement in The Omaha Bee.

Frank Holcomb, one of the clerks at Meyers' drug store, is on the sick list.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hill, Forty-fourth and J streets.

The local office of The Omaha Bee is located in the new city hall building. Telephone 27.

On Wednesday evening Police Judge Babcock married Edward A. Boylan and Miss Rose Dacman.

Miss Bessie Meyers, Twenty-third and I streets, who is ill with pneumonia, is reported no worse.

Thomas J. Nolan has gone to Chicago, where he will spend a few days looking after business matters.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Tracy, who was recently operated upon for appendicitis, is improving.

It is understood that Judge Dickinson will give a decision in the Driscoll mandamus case on Monday next.

F. J. Lewis has commenced grading for a new building on Twenty-fourth street opposite the new postoffice.

A series of revival meetings are being planned to commence at the First Methodist church on Sunday, March 19.

Division No. 5, Ancient Order of Hibernians, will give a dance and entertainment at Modern Woodman hall this evening.

Owing to the illness of Rev. G. W. Terrell the revival meetings at the Christian church have been indefinitely postponed.

Dr. W. H. Slabaugh and Dr. William Berry are in St. Joseph, Mo., attending a meeting of the Missouri Valley Medical society.

East End republicans seem to think that A. N. Weppner would make a good member of the Board of Education, and he may be nominated.

A concert will be given at the First Methodist Episcopal church Saturday night by the Men's club of the Hanscom Park Methodist Episcopal church.

City Clerk Carpenter is sending notices to members of the Board of Registration to be on hand April 1 to revise the registration lists prior to the spring election.

Secretary A. E. Blank of the republican city central committee was kept busy yesterday getting the list of delegates arranged in order to have the official tickets for the primaries printed.

Both the republicans and democrats will hold city conventions on Saturday. The republicans meet at Pivonka's hall, Twenty-fourth and L streets, while the democrats will assemble at Modern Woodman hall.

City Clerk Carpenter is experiencing some difficulty in securing convenient locations for voting booths for the election to be held on April 4. Very few vacant stores or houses are to be found in South Omaha at the present time and quite a number of the places used by the election board last fall are now occupied so that other rooms must be secured. It is expected that suitable quarters for all of the nine precincts will be secured today, so that the changes in the election proclamation may be made at the earliest possible moment.

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