

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Compromise Effected by the Committee on the Railroad Dispute.

NORTHWESTERN STOPS AT FARNAM STREET

May Run Tracks Along Eighth Street that Far South, but Cannot Go to the Howard Street Route.

A compromise ordinance passed the council last night which settles the dispute between the B. & M. and Northwestern...

The committee on railroads and telegraphs, consisting of Councilmen Whitehorn, Hascall and Trotter...

Zimmerman Questions the Motive. Councilman Zimmerman charged the committee with a breach of faith in reporting such an ordinance after they voted for a resolution granting the Northwestern...

Mr. Hascall resented the Third ward councilman's charges and stated that the committee had acted after having consulted interested property owners who oppose the Northwestern's extension south of Farnam.

The committee's report was adopted by a vote of 8 to 8. Aldermen Burkley, Lobeck and Zimmerman opposing its adoption. Mr. Lobeck immediately moved that the committee be amended in such a manner that the Northwestern may use the east side of Eighth street between Farnam and Douglas streets.

Attorneys for both of the railroad companies attended the meeting and watched the proceedings with much interest. Although the Northwestern was very anxious to enter the territory south of Farnam street its representatives expressed themselves as being fairly well pleased with the compromise.

Water Plant Mass Meeting. A petition from the members of the Central Labor union requesting that the council call a special mass meeting for the purpose of allowing the citizens of Omaha an opportunity to discuss the purchase of the waterworks was granted and the meeting will be held in the city hall Wednesday evening, August 22.

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Omaha. The questions now pending before you honorably and conscientiously are the purchase of the waterworks and the extension of a foreign engineer to estimate the value of the waterworks plant and the importance to the residents of the city.

The committee on fire, water and police made no report concerning the naming of an engineer to estimate the value of the water plant, or relative to Councilman Zimmerman's demand, which provides for the appointment of appraisers and the immediate purchase of the waterworks.

J. H. Millard and other pro-ty holders petitioned the council to narrow the paving on Twenty-fourth street, between Farnam street and St. Mary's avenue, to thirty feet.

The Board of Public Works was authorized to contract for the paving and curbing of the intersection of Thirty-eighth avenue and Harney street.

Lincoln Boulevard's Width. A resolution was adopted which provides...

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Thomas S. Wilson was granted permission to erect a refreshment booth west of the first pier of the Douglas street river bridge.

The city attorney was instructed to remove any signs that have been placed on Francis street, near the corner of Fifth street, and on Fifth street, near Cedar street.

Chief Eitter says that he desires that something looking to this end be done at once. He admits the inadequacy of the present department to cope with fires in the vicinity of the city where the complaint is now coming.

At next Monday night's meeting of the city council it is thought that this matter will be brought up and that some action taken looking to the final disposition of the project.

South Omaha Moves Away. There are a number of South Omaha people who have moved to the Springs. Mr. P. Shultz, Mrs. M. M. Miller, Mrs. George Parks, Mrs. Parks, mother of George P. Parks, Mrs. McCreave, George Parks, Jr., James Kelly, James Parks, Mrs. John Flynn, four children of George Parks and one child of Mrs. McCreave.

Magie City Briefs. H. C. Roles of Elwood was in the city yesterday. Fred Scott left yesterday for Iowa, where he will visit with friends.

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STARTED IN LIFE TOGETHER

Gould P. Dietz of Omaha Was Intimate Friend of O. P. Huntington.

TRAITS OF SOUTHERN PACIFIC MAGNATE

Began Life as a Pack Peddler and Ended as One of the Greatest Financiers of the Country.

In the death of Collis P. Huntington, the millionaire railroad magnate and financier, Gould P. Dietz of this city lost a life-long friend, one who was to him as the closest intimacy had been maintained for many years.

The passing away of Mr. Huntington was a surprise to me," said Mr. Dietz at his residence, 1902 North Twenty-eighth street, last night. "He was a man of marvelous physical strength and had a constitution of iron. I fully expected that he would be spared to the ripe old age of 60 years. I was for several years on terms of the closest intimacy with Mr. Huntington in our younger days. No one, perhaps, knew him better than I. Many a time we slept together when I was young and many a winter night we sat about the big stove in his store back in Onondaga, N. Y., and talked of our future plans and builded air castles. My first acquaintance with Collis P. Huntington was when he was a young man barely past his majority. At that time he made frequent trips to the town in which I lived at Onondaga as a peddler, dealing in silverware, notions and such articles as are usually found in a peddler's pack.

Later he acquired money enough to get a horse and buggy and continued as a traveling peddler. I well remember the two iron trunks he carried around with him after he arose to the distinction of driving a rig. Huntington traveled all over the east. One time he remarked to me in his usual jovial manner that he had driven over the Cumberland mountains, where no one ever dared to go afoot.

Began as a Merchant. "In 1845 our intimate acquaintance began. At that time Collis had saved from his earnings as a peddler about \$1,500 and, in company with his brother, settled in Onondaga, opening up a general merchandise store. I went to work for him as a clerk. I was at that time 18 years old and Collis P. Huntington was some five years my senior. The wonderful business sagacity possessed by him asserted itself from the start. He was a success as a business man. He had a levity disposition and made friends with all the country folk around Onondaga.

"He was a man of remarkable strength, physically, as well as mentally. I have often seen him pick up a barrel of salt weighing 600 pounds and lift it with ease. His power of brain and brain came to him through his own exertions. He cultivated his muscle and at the same time sought to improve his brain, although he possessed but meager advantages from an educational standpoint.

"Mr. Huntington was an excellent buyer. Frequently I made trips with him to New York and in striking a business bargain he was at all times alert and active. And he left no stone unturned to keep his goods selling. One winter we loaded a sleigh full of merchandise and drove out into the country from Onondaga, disposing of the goods at auction. Before we finished our trip the snow melted away and we had to walk home about fifteen miles distant. It was one of these trips to New York that Mr. Huntington first indicated his warm friendship for me. I was then but a mere boy, but I had a desire to enter into business for myself. There seemed to be a favorable opening for a drug store in Onondaga and while in New York I casually remarked that I wished I were able to grasp the opportunity. Finding that I was held back through lack of funds, Mr. Huntington took me to one of the wholesale houses and stood good for me in the purchase of the goods I wished.

Was a Man of Close Application. "He was at all times modest, unassuming and a perfect gentleman. He never used tobacco in any form nor drank at all. All of his attention was centered in his business and it is to this fact that I attribute his great success—the power of close application of the century. From 1845 Mr. Huntington left New York and struck out for California. He had a hard time getting there, but when he finally landed he began the great commercial and railroad career which marks him as one of the greatest financiers of the century. From that time on our business affairs kept us widely separated, but we have kept up a frequent correspondence and I have often seen Mr. Huntington.

"Not a great while ago I spent an afternoon with him at his private estate in New York, out of curiosity to see the man in which he handled the great volume of business under his direction. Everything moved with clock-like regularity. He worked with great rapidity and when he left the office at 1 o'clock he informed me that he was able to withstand the great pressure under which he constantly labored for the reason that when he left his office he left behind him all business cares, perplexities and problems.

"My last letter from Mr. Huntington came a short time ago in response to an invitation I sent him to attend my golden wedding anniversary. It was a charming note, expressing his congratulations for Mrs. Dietz and myself and denoting his sorrow at being unable to participate in the festivity personally."

A Close Call. Mr. Henry Phipps had an attack of colic that he says would certainly have proved fatal before a physician could have reached him. He was cured by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy before the doctor arrived. Mr. Phipps is a well known citizen of Beekly, W. Va.

FIGHT ON TRADING STAMPS

Retailers Report Satisfactory Progress in Their Struggle Against the System.

The second blow to the trading stamp system was struck last night when, at a meeting of the retail merchants in the Commercial club rooms, it was decided not to pay the stamp companies any further assessments unless the retailers can be satisfied that the stamp books of customers are being returned according to agreement. During the meeting a telephone message was received from a gathering of retail merchants in South Omaha, to the effect that a similar course had been decided upon there.

Several members of the Omaha meeting reported that the stamp companies had complained that the trading stamp companies, on various pretexts, had refused to redeem stamp books. Others reported that there had been a decided "run" on the premium stores during the day, and that few desirable prizes remained.

Confidentially it had been pointed out a previous meeting to circulate petitions among retail merchants asking them to refrain from patronizing the stamp system reported very gratifying progress. A total of 309 signatures had been secured. Not only the merchants but the consumers had been organized. Fifteen merchants who were now handling the stamps refused to sign. It is estimated that the stamp company had a total of 200 patrons in the city, of whom comparatively few have been solicited by the companies.

The merchants who have agreed to withdraw their patronage are given until September 1 to settle their affairs with the company. A grand general meeting in which the retail merchants of both Omaha and South Omaha met last night and were agreed upon for next Tuesday night in the rooms of the Commercial club.

The lack of energy you feel, the backache and rheumatism, the general weakness and kidney disorder, Foley's Kidney Cure will restore your strength and vigor by making the kidneys well. Take no substitute. Myers-Dillon Drug Co., Omaha; Dillon Drug Store, South Omaha.

THIRD WARDERS CROWD HALL

Meeting of the Republican Club Largely Attended, Notwithstanding the Intense Heat.

A red-hot rally of the Third ward Republican club was held at the Midway hall, 124 Capitol avenue, last night. The hall was crowded and quite a number of enthusiasts were compelled to stand. President William Gerke occupied the chair.

Peter Boyesen of the First ward was called upon for remarks and in response he delivered an invitation for the Third ward club to meet at the Midway hall on Friday night of this week. Mr. Boyesen referred to Lawyer Walkup's tirades against the administration and said that the First ward republicans were with the administration, notwithstanding the little lawyer's efforts to the contrary.

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CULLED from the Field of POLITICS

Increasing republican interest in the campaign is being registered in the steadily increasing membership of the various republican ward clubs. Republicans are proud this year to be enrolled under the banner of McKinley and prosperity.

The first local campaign waver of the season hinged upon the race for the presidency was made Saturday, when \$10 was placed on the result in Nebraska on the national ticket. State Grain Inspector John Zellers evidenced his faith in Bryan's ability to carry the state by putting up with such coin, and it was promptly met by Charles Weber. It was a straight proposition as to which, McKinley or Bryan, will get the most votes in Nebraska.

Considerable perturbation prevails among the Howell committeemen over the uncertainties attending the tenure of their positions. They are fretting because their authority is just now in question and they are unable to go ahead with preliminary campaign work because of the necessity of awaiting a decision of the democrats of the county at the primaries the last of September. Before that time no one will be in position to strike a lick of democratic campaign property, and no effect can be made last fall to scare the Germans with the prospect of a new party. One thing is certain, a little attention to it for a time, but they care no longer to be fooled with that scarecrow.

That learned lawyer and eminent politician, John L. Webster, made public admission at the recent meeting of the republican county committee that he had not read the new primary election law enacted by the legislature. It was suggested that Senator Van Dusen, whose name is blazoned on the act in question, present Mr. Webster with an illuminated copy so that he can post up on its provisions in time for the coming primary election.

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ORDER IS STILL IN FORCE

Hector School Site Muddle in South Omaha Remains Unsettled.

Expert Accountants Who Have Been Checking Up School District's Books Are Only Seven Thousand Dollars Apart.

The order of the district court, issued a short time ago at the request of Thomas Hector, restraining City Treasurer Koutsky of South Omaha from paying \$10,000 in warrants drawn by the Board of Education of South Omaha in payment for the construction of the Jungmann school at Twenty-third and K streets, is still in force and is likely to remain so for some time. When the case was called a day or two ago it was indefinitely postponed on account of the absence from the city of one of the attorneys in the case.

This restraining order is the result of the trouble now being experienced by the Board of Education in South Omaha in selecting a site for a new school building. A majority of the board decided to purchase the site offered by Thomas Hector at Twenty-third and K streets, but certain contractors considered the price too high and secured an injunction, contending that there were no funds at hand with which to pay for the site.

As the warrants in the Jungmann case have been properly issued and cashed the contractors will not lose anything, but the holders of the warrants may have to make a fight for their money. It is understood that two of the banks of South Omaha hold these warrants and have secured legal advice on the matter. Attorneys hold that the warrants will have to be paid, as they represent pay for labor and material already performed and furnished.

Since the commencement of the fight between a certain faction of citizens and the Board of Education experts have been employed to check up the books of the school district with a view to making a showing of the assets and liabilities. J. J. Fonda was employed by Thomas Hector, while W. G. Bentley went over the books for the board. This work has just been completed and there is a discrepancy of \$7,000 between the figures of the two experts. According to Expert Points the indebtedness of the district is just \$7,000 less than shown by Mr. Bentley's figures. It is not considered probable that these cases will come up before the opening of the fall term of court.

Court Notes. Abraham Losh of Hastings has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the federal court at Omaha, Nebraska. He says that he owes \$5,000 and has \$400 with which to pay it.