

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

East Side Improvement Club Gets on Decidedly Active Crusade.

WANTS WATER, LIGHTS AND TROLLEY CARS

All the Residents of that Section of the City Are United in Effort to Secure the Utilities They Really Need.

An important meeting of the East Side Improvement club was held last evening and several important matters discussed.

This club has for years complained of the fact that the eastern part of the city is without proper water supply for fire protection. It seems that numbers of houses are connected with one small line, while the fire hydrants are few and far between. Some time ago a demand was made of the water company to have the hydrants put in, and that company insisted that the city was powerless to help that vicinity on account of the maximum number of hydrants already having been reached. The club last evening decided to try and impress upon the council the importance of having some of the hydrants scattered in other parts of the city discontinued and hydrants on the east side installed in their places.

President J. E. Green stated yesterday that this part of the town is in a serious condition and that unless something is done by the council that serious results may follow in the wake of a fire. The club will also attempt to have the Missouri avenue car line extended down to Thirteenth street. This is a pet hobby of the club and one that it has been airing for years. It was through the efforts of the club that the present Missouri avenue line was secured, and now the club will attempt to have the line completed all the way down the street.

The South Omaha Land company some time ago proposed to the club that it would gladly open Twentieth street through the park if the council would give ample police protection at the opening and post the necessary area lights. Now the club proposes to insist upon the council doing this very thing.

Finally, the club will attempt to have the Burlington railroad establish a depot at the foot of Missouri avenue. It is claimed that the road is perfectly willing to do this if the street will be paved all the way down to the tracks. A petition is now being circulated and over half the requisite number of signers for the work have been secured. The members of the club are sanguine that the required number of signers will be obtained and that within the next few months the depot will have been constructed.

The club will meet again next Friday night, when these arrangements will be talked of and many of them probably completed.

Prosperity in South Omaha.

A statement from the different national banks of the city was issued yesterday. From the figures obtainable the amount of deposits on hand shows a material increase, while loans have been decreased materially. The statement just issued shows that there is now on deposit in the different banks of South Omaha \$2,957,000.55, against \$2,701,000.57 when a statement was made one year ago. This shows an increase of over three banks of this city of \$256,000 over the amount of deposits last June. The total amount of loans and discounts is \$1,400,000, against \$1,487,000.71 of one year ago, thus showing a decrease in loans and discounts of \$87,000.71.

Jewelry is Missing.

The police are looking for John Thomsen, formerly of South Omaha. Thomsen was in the jewelry business at Twenty-sixth and N. streets. The police say that he disappeared about two weeks ago and with him disappeared several valuable watches which had been left with him for repair. No trace has been found of Thomsen's whereabouts and the police state that they have no idea where he has gone to. Omaha parties are said to have backed the jewelry enterprise in South Omaha with disastrous results to themselves.

Waiting for Decision.

South Omahans are anxiously awaiting the decision of the supreme court of the state as to the legality of the act under which the Fire and Police board claims the right to act. The manner in which the police department of the city has been handled has stirred up a great deal of indignation among the citizens of the city. For over six months the police have been allowed to act without any official bond having been given, and now that one officer has been killed, undoubtedly laid him self liable to damages by reason of an unlawful arrest, the interested parties are simply incensed at the fact that they have no recourse. The case in the supreme court was originally set for October 8.

Little Violent Talk.

The recent talk about the hopeful prospects for a viaduct over the tracks at the foot of N street seems to have been quickly dropped away and nothing is being said. Whether a viaduct will be built or not is unknown, but it is a foregone conclusion that it will not be erected any more this year. Everything is in readiness for the erection of the viaduct, as the location has been decided upon and the cost of the same has been estimated. The only thing in the way is some one to build it.

Still at Liberty.

The assault of the little Kroege girl is still at liberty and no arrests have been made within the last twenty-four hours. The child seems positive that she will be able to identify the right party, and when brought to jail to look at the suspects Friday showed no hesitation in saying that none of them were the right persons. It seems probable that the guilty party will not be apprehended. Chief of Police Briggs has ordered one of the men formerly arrested, but who was not identified to be rearrested. His name is Ford, and he is supposed to have gone to Kansas. He gave his name as Ford.

Maggie City Gossip.

Pump and pump man. Culver company. Mrs. C. F. Oliver is visiting in Jessup. Mrs. Charles Fitch is spending the month in Colorado. Charles Leffer is attending the University of Nebraska. Mrs. J. E. Crothers is visiting with her parents in Eagle, Neb. Mrs. Nellie Lee and son, Earl, have returned from Cuba, Neb. There was no change reported yesterday in the condition of W. H. Rowley. A son was born yesterday to Mr. and

Mrs. Arthur Rasmussen, 1318 North Twenty-fourth street.

Mrs. Roland Beaver, who has been seriously ill, is much improved in health. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Carpenter, Thirtieth and Missouri avenue, report the birth of a son.

It was a full day in the police court yesterday. No trials were had and only one complaint filed.

The Young Men's Christian association holds an outdoor meeting at Highland park this afternoon.

Dr. Lyon has resigned his position with the Burlington road and will attend a veterinary college at Kansas City. A meeting of St. Martin's guild will be held at the home of Mrs. Stearns, Twenty-third and C streets, Monday afternoon.

"True Wisdom" will be the subject at the Baptist church this morning. There will be a gospel meeting in the evening.

Phili Kearney post, Grand Army of the Republic will meet at Eagles' hall, Twenty-sixth and N streets, Monday evening.

The Old Fountain will be the Sunday morning subject at the First Methodist church. There will also be an evening service.

The Young Men's Christian association room will be closed for several days commencing Monday. Extensive repairs will be made.

Rev. Hermon of the German Methodist church of South Omaha has been referred to Denver and will soon leave for that place.

The night school of the Young Men's Christian association opened last evening. There was an informal reception to pupils and friends.

Mrs. John Briggs has returned from an extended visit in Iowa with the parents of her husband, Chief of Police Briggs, and other relatives.

At the United Presbyterian church communion service will be held in the morning and evening service by Rev. Andrew Benwick at 8 o'clock in the evening.

The German Evangelical Friedens congregation of South Omaha will hold devotional exercises at Eagles' hall, Twenty-sixth and N streets, today.

The Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church will give an afternoon tea at the home of Mrs. James Carlin, Twenty-fifth and I streets, Thursday afternoon.

The funeral of John, the 16-year-old son of George Matter, who died Friday evening, will be held from the home of the boy's parents, 208 South Nineteenth street, this morning.

Dr. J. H. Kerr of the Bellevue college will preach in the First Presbyterian church this morning. His theme will be "Schemes from Wisconsin Conference." There will be special music.

The Marvel, 608 North Twenty-fourth street, South Omaha, Grand opening Wednesday, September 16. Display of fall and winter millinery in all the latest designs at popular prices.

The board of trustees of the First Methodist church of South Omaha for the coming year will be S. W. Francis, chairman; J. O. Eastman, secretary, and E. L. Howe, treasurer.

Get Ready.

In many cases passenger rates to points in TEXAS, OKLAHOMA and INDIAN TERRITORY for excursion Tuesday, September 15, will be very much less than one fare for the round trip over the "Frisco" System. Liberal limits and stopovers. For detailed information call on or address W. C. McElvaine, Passenger Agent, 306 S. 14th St., Omaha.

WILL ATTEND THE CONGRESS

Delegation of Commercial Club Men

at Ogden.

A party made up of members of the Commercial club will leave this afternoon for a week's stay at Ogden, where they will attend the National Irrigation congress, which is in session there. Among them are P. E. Iler, A. C. Smith, A. H. Rawlitzer, Edith Martin, C. M. Wilhelm, F. E. Sanborn, T. A. Fry, R. C. Peters, J. R. Fitzgerald, George H. Bain, H. K. Burkett, D. L. Garrison, S. E. Stokes, C. E. Walter, D. D. Miller, W. M. Glas, James Wallace, C. B. Flock, J. H. Parotte, A. P. Tukey, F. W. Judson, W. S. Wright, M. Wulpi, J. B. Rahm, George M. Ribble, C. C. Troxell and F. L. Haller.

Where the County Money is.

Report of County Treasurer G. Fred Elvasser, showing the whereabouts of the county funds September 1, 1903:

Balances	\$105,000.71
Receipts	20,735.98
Total	\$125,736.69
Disbursements	\$46,612.79
Cash in drawer	52.32
Checks for deposit	3,417.11
Postage account	2.35
Protest money	1.00
Merchants National bank	12,965.32
Central National bank	5,000.00
Commercial National bank	5,894.73
South Omaha National bank	1,267.60
Union Stock and Bond	4,000.00
J. L. Brandels & Sons' bank	3,000.00
First National bank	10,225.28
First National bank	1,245.82
Packers National bank	5,000.00
Omaha National bank	12,294.80
Union National bank	1,146.49
Total	\$125,736.69
Balance September 1, 1903	\$105,000.71

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

On Tuesday morning the doors of the high school were thrown open to over 1,400 students, 400 of them being pupils just entering from the eighth grade. On entering the building the students were directed to different rooms in alphabetical order, where each one received a program card which assigned them to their respective rooms. Only during the first hour, while the freshmen were waiting, was there any indication of confusion. When the bell sounded for the second period all was order as if there had been no interruption of two months in the school session. The boys' freshmen were sent to the library, where Mrs. Waterhouse remained during the day, directing them to their classrooms. Not alone the number of freshmen is greater than last year, but the number of students taking a "post graduate" course is greater than ever before. Among the students who were graduated last year and are now at the high school taking a post graduate course are Clara Heimrod, Edna H. Hays, Laura Rhonda, Madeline Hillis, Claire Van Orman, Hilda Hammer, Alice Wright, Elizabeth Stuart, Beattie Fry, Ralph Moore, Jessie Waugh and Blanche Whitlock. From the class of '02 Harriet Bopplum, Blanche Roe, Mary Woodbridge and Mr. Stubbs are studying at the high school, preparing for college. Lorraine Cenevise is also taking a post graduate course, preparing for Wellesley college.

Still at Liberty.

There has been little change in the high school building from last year. Room 3, which had been a senior study room for many years, but was changed into a recreation room last year, has been again transformed into a study hall—but for the freshmen. The sophomore study where the freshmen did formerly, and the juniors and seniors study in sophomore's vacated study hall, occupied by the seniors last year, will be used as a reference room. A study hall, located in the basement of the old building has been greatly improved by a coat of paint and electric lights.

The High School Register.

The High School Register, a monthly journal published by the high school students, promises to excel any other year's issue during the coming season. Some of the brightest and most competent seniors have been procured on the staff, and with Joseph Swanson, editor, and Fred Harris, business manager, it can't help but be a great success. The following staff has been appointed: Editor, Charles Cope-land; news, Lewella Hine; sports, Fred Plander and Reuben Buckley; drama, Madge Maxwell; athletics, Harry Lettiss and Minnie Eldridge; alumni, Florence Mason; music, Claire Stratton; battalion, Clifford Hine; society, Elizabeth Kiewit. The first number of the Register will appear on or about September 25.

WILL ATTEND TO WORK LATER

Republican County Committee Defers Selecting Election Officers.

COUNTRY OPPOSES FEE FOR FILING

Gain Point for Free Entrance After Long Debate and Election Officers Get Three Dollars a Day.

The meeting of the republican county committee yesterday afternoon was marked chiefly for what it did not do. Called to appoint 306 primary election officers and name 102 polling places, it did neither, but postponed action for various reasons. Prolonged discussion was indulged over certain points in the new rules and two important changes were made. Judges and clerks in city primaries will be allowed \$3 for their time, instead of \$1.50, as at first proposed, and delegates and committee-men from the country may have their names printed on the official ballots without filing a cash.

In the absence of Chairman Goss, A. H. Burnett presided. It was suggested that judges and clerks could not be obtained for the primaries at \$1.50 each. Charles Unitt said it had been impossible in the Ninth ward and was sure the same condition prevailed in the other wards. Therefore he moved that the wage be doubled.

Bert Miner figured out that the advance would mean a total expense of \$1,096 for Omaha and South Omaha, including rents. This showing was such as to up all objections because of the expense, but Secretary Messick raised the point of precedent and said it would be a poor thing to amend the rules, as next fall there will be but few candidates and their filing fees will amount to a comparatively small lump sum.

Let Committee Decide.

Finally Chairman Burnett suggested that the compensation rule be amended to leave the matter at the discretion of the committee. This was done, and it was immediately agreed to make the pay of the municipal judges and clerks for this primary \$3 each, those in the country \$1.50 and to limit country rentals to \$1.50 for each polling place.

Secretary Messick submitted a communication and \$30 bill from W. S. Babcock, who had attempted to file his name for police magistrate in South Omaha Friday afternoon at 3:30, or after the time limit set by the executive committee had passed. The committee decided that it could not admit Babcock's filing and the yellowback was ordered returned with regrets.

Secretary Messick then called attention to the alarming fact that in certain country precincts there can be no nominations for justice of the peace, constable and overseers of roads, because candidates neglected to file with the secretary. No filings for constable or justice were made from Dundee and some for overseer from Douglas, Elkhorn and Florence precincts. It was agreed that the names of aspirants for these places cannot now come before the republican convention, and if they are to try for office they must go on the ballot by petition.

Country is Dissatisfied.

Charles Witte of Chicago precinct declared that the rules, so far as they related to the country, had caused much dissatisfaction, and he declared further that some candidates for the lesser offices had declined to file their names, holding that they did not have to do it. Furthermore, he said that so one in the country cared to become a delegate or a committeeman because he would have to pay a fee of \$1 each to have his name printed on the ballot. Acting in either capacity usually entailed considerable sacrifice and loss of time on the part of the country residents. Mr. Witte declared, costing them as much as \$10 under certain conditions.

It was then moved that the committee hand in names for judges and clerks, which they had been requested to prepare by orders from the secretary. Byron O. Burbank, who spoke by grace of proxy, headed off this move, however, on the ground that the candidates had the right to make suggestions concerning the election officers up to within ten days of the primary. This being the law, and complications having arisen before involving the point, Mr. Burbank considered it wise to defer formal appointment of judges and clerks until such a time as to preclude litigation.

Upon his motion, therefore, selection of judges and clerks was postponed until September 25 at 2 o'clock.

List of Polling Places.

The committeemen were asked to hand in designations of polling places in the various precincts, but as the returns were incomplete were given until Tuesday noon to complete the lists.

As the meeting drew about to adjourn a loud voice remarked that there would be no delegates in the convention from the country if the filing fee to have names printed on ballots was not removed. Clyde Sundblad explained that this was a mere matter of convenience to the delegates, and that any delegate who cared to take his chances by having his name written in by the voters might still do so and still be admitted as an accredited delegate to the convention provided he received a majority of the votes. Charles Witte repeated his views on the subject and Unitt grew remissive, telling how he had been deprived of two years' salary as county clerk because voters had spoiled ballots by writing in names at the election. Inasmuch as Mr. Burbank considered it no more than fair to relieve the country delegates from the fee, the committee did so without further talk.

Another detail was brought up by Secretary Messick—how the ballot boxes are to be transported to and from the country precincts within twenty-four hours. It was decided to let the country committeemen work out this problem and the matter was referred to them to solve it as best they can.

September 25 at noon was fixed as the last hour at which names for delegates and committeemen may be filed with Secretary Messick.

The committee will meet again September 25 at 2 o'clock to appoint judges and clerks of election.

DEMOCRATS FIX THE DATES

Name Time of Primaries and Convention and Change Basis of Selecting Delegates.

The democratic primaries will take place Monday, October 5, and the convention the following day. This time was set at a tranquil and expeditious meeting of the democratic central committee in the Jacksonian club yesterday afternoon. The committee agreed upon a basis of representation for the convention so that the delegates will be chosen on the basis of the democratic vote in the last election. Herefore the number of delegates to each precinct and ward has been arbitrarily fixed and the committee voted to make the change so as to bring Douglas county into line with the national and state usage. Voting places were fixed for the primaries, but these are the same, with a few exceptions, as last year. J. C. Dahlgren, chairman of the committee, presided and there was a full attendance.

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